



Proclamation

WHEREAS: Asthma and allergic diseases result in physical, emotional and economic hardship for more than 35 million Americans and their families; and

WHEREAS: Thousands of Americans, many of them young, die each year from asthma even though sufficient medical knowledge and resources exist to prevent many asthma-related deaths; and

WHEREAS: Student absenteeism is due in significant part to asthma and allergic diseases; and

WHEREAS: Environmental conditions in the workplace often cause or exacerbate asthma and allergic diseases among employees; and

WHEREAS: Many hospital patients suffer allergic reactions to prescribed medication; and

WHEREAS: It is estimated that the American public pays \$2 billion per year in medical bills directly attributable to the treatment and diagnosis of asthma and allergic diseases and pays another \$2 billion per year as a result of the indirect social cost of such illnesses; and

WHEREAS: Because of recent developments in the study of immunology, health care providers are better equipped to diagnose and treat asthma and allergic diseases; and

WHEREAS: Increased public awareness of recent scientific advancements in the study of immunology will help dispel many of the common misconceptions concerning asthma, allergic diseases, and the victims of those illnesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5 through May 11, 1985, to be

ASTHMA AND ALLERGY AWARENESS WEEK

in Minnesota.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Jean Anderson Howe
Secretary of State

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR

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