



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Children's Advocacy Centers are child-focused, facility-based programs that emphasize the coordination of investigation and intervention services by bringing together professionals and agencies as a multidisciplinary team to create a child-focused approach to child abuse cases; and

WHEREAS: Children's Advocacy Centers provide multidisciplinary services to their clients, which include forensic interviewing; specialized medical evaluations and treatment; specialized mental health services; victim advocacy and support; and training and education to professionals and communities throughout Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Nationally, over 750 Children's Advocacy Centers serve victims of child sexual abuse and physical abuse as well as their non-offending family members; and

WHEREAS: In 2012, Minnesota's Children's Advocacy Centers served over 2,500 children who were victims of child sexual or physical abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 23 – 30, 2013 as

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.

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 27th day of March.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE