



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: When medicines, household cleaners, and industrial chemicals are not used as directed or intended, they may be hazardous to children, who, from infancy to five years of age, are the most frequent victims of poisoning; and
- WHEREAS: The lives of thousands of Minnesotans are threatened each year by accidental exposure to poisonous substances; and
- WHEREAS: State government agencies have been working for many years with their local and federal counterparts to inform Minnesotans of the potential hazards of these substances; and
- WHEREAS: It is important for health professionals, educators, and the public to have access to resources to learn and teach others about the dangers of poisonous substances and how to prevent poisonings from occurring; and
- WHEREAS: Poison control and prevention services help people and health care providers avoid preventable costs; and
- WHEREAS: National Poison Prevention Week is endorsed by the Minnesota Poison Control System and the Minnesota Department of Health; and
- WHEREAS: Education and awareness about poisons can save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 20-26, 2016, as:

POISON PREVENTION 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 18th day of March.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE