



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Pallister-Killian Syndrome (PKS) is a rare disorder resulting from having an extra chromosome made up of two copies of the short (p) arm of chromosome 12; and
- WHEREAS: The creation of this extra chromosome is a random event, which occurs at conception; and
- WHEREAS: Children with PKS suffer from low muscle tone, seizures, severe global developmental delays, hearing and vision loss, and other birth defects; and
- WHEREAS: Fewer than 200 cases of PKS have been diagnosed worldwide, however, the incidence may be much higher; and
- WHEREAS: Diagnostic difficulties, including challenges in testing and lack of awareness of the condition are the main reasons for undiagnosed cases; and
- WHEREAS: Increased research and education and greater awareness within the medical and local community will aid in early diagnoses of children, and benefit families and caregivers of children affected by the syndrome.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, December 4, 2017, as:

PALLISTER-KILLIAN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

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 7th day of November.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE