



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Men continue to live an average of five fewer years than women, despite advances in medical technology and research; and
- WHEREAS: Native American and African American men have the shortest life expectancies in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: Educating the public about the importance of healthy lifestyle choices and the early detection of male health problems will reduce rates of mortality from disease; and
- WHEREAS: Men who understand and appreciate preventative care can prolong their lives and their role as productive family members; and
- WHEREAS: Fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and
- WHEREAS: The Men's Health Network has developed a men's health awareness campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventative health practices; and
- WHEREAS: The Men's Health Month website—www.MensHealthMonth.org—features resources, proclamations, and information about awareness events and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota Men's Health Month will focus on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease; mental health; diabetes; and prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans are encouraged to increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2018, as:

MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



Steve Pinn

SECRETARY OF STATE

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 20th day of May.

Mark Dayton

GOVERNOR