



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The health and safety of all Minnesotans is important to the happiness, prosperity, and well-being of families and communities across the state; and
- WHEREAS: In 2017, almost 12,820 people were diagnosed with cervical cancer nationwide, and 4,210 died from the disease; and
- WHEREAS: Regular cervical cancer screening tests are an effective way to detect the disease early, when it can still be successfully treated; and
- WHEREAS: Cervical cancer vaccines are now widely available, and combined with regular screenings, provide an effective means of preventing the disease; and
- WHEREAS: The number of cases and deaths from cervical cancer decreased significantly in the past 40 years; and
- WHEREAS: Increasing awareness of prevention and detection techniques among patients and health care providers is a key component in safeguarding cervical health; and
- WHEREAS: Throughout the month of January, organizations and healthcare practitioners are encouraged to promote awareness about cervical cancer and to support patients who are currently battling cervical cancer and those who have lost loved ones to the disease.

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

CERVICAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

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 21st day of December.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE