



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Nearly 26 million Americans – including 375,000 adults in Minnesota – have diabetes, a serious disease that has no cure; and
- WHEREAS: Approximately a quarter of the people with diabetes (7 million Americans) don't know they have the disease; and
- WHEREAS: Another 79 million, or 1 in 3 American adults, have pre-diabetes, a condition that puts them at greater risk for developing Type 2 diabetes; and
- WHEREAS: Diabetes has many faces affecting all races and ethnicities and young and old alike; and
- WHEREAS: Minority populations in the United States have an increased risk for developing Type 2 diabetes; and
- WHEREAS: One in three American adults will have diabetes by 2050, if current trends continue; and
- WHEREAS: Diabetes is the seventh-leading cause of death by disease in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: People with undiagnosed diabetes may experience damage to the heart, eyes, kidneys, and limbs without producing any symptoms; and
- WHEREAS: An increase in community awareness of risk factors and symptoms related to diabetes can improve the likelihood that people with diabetes will get the attention they need before suffering devastating complications.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 27, 2012 to be:

DIABETES ASSOCIATION ALERT 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 12th day of March.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE