



## STATE of MINNESOTA

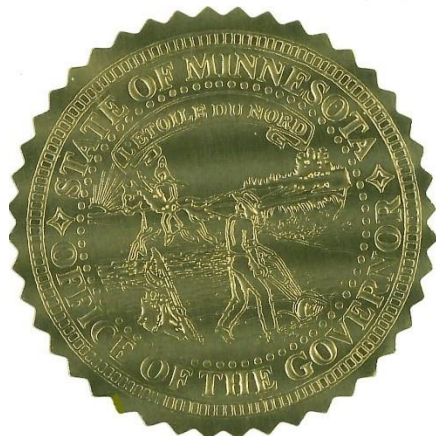
# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years less than women and Native American and African-American men have some of the lowest life expectancies in the United States; and
- WHEREAS: Educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease; and
- WHEREAS: Culturally appropriate approaches are important to educate about the value that preventive health can play in prolonging lifespan and increase participation in health screenings; and
- WHEREAS: Fathers who maintain a healthy lifestyle are role models for their children and have happier, healthier children; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Department of Health focuses on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, mental health, diabetes, and prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and
- WHEREAS: We must increase awareness of the importance of a healthy lifestyle, regular exercise, and medical check-ups.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2020, as:

## MEN'S HEALTH 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of June.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tim Walz".

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steve Simon".

SECRETARY OF STATE

Filed on June 4, 2020  
Office of the Minnesota  
Secretary of State,  
Steve Simon