



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: According to Momcology, a national support network made up of thousands of parents whose children have been diagnosed with cancer, childhood cancer is the leading cause of disease-related deaths among children and adolescents in the United States, affecting nearly 15,000 young people each year; and
- WHEREAS: Cancer kills one in five afflicted children, and two thirds of childhood cancer patients will suffer long lasting chronic health conditions from their treatment, including secondary cancers; and
- WHEREAS: Childhood cancer occurs regularly, randomly, and spares no ethnic group, socioeconomic status, or region. In the United States, the incidence of cancer among adolescents and young adults is increasing at a greater rate than any other age group, except those over 65; and
- WHEREAS: Despite these facts, childhood cancer research is vastly and consistently underfunded; and
- WHEREAS: Every September, the United States renews its commitment to cure childhood cancer and provides awareness and support to the brave young people fighting this disease; and
- WHEREAS: Momcology was created to connect, support, encourage, and empower families with children fighting cancer; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota Momcology and its sister organization, Momcology, are dedicated to helping these children and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2014, as:

CHILDHOOD CANCER 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 2nd day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE