



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) is a disease of the gastrointestinal tract characterized by abdominal pain, cramping and bloating, and altered bowel habits; and
- WHEREAS: IBS is a chronic illness affecting approximately 45 million people in the United States, yet public awareness and medical understanding is lacking; and
- WHEREAS: The major forms of IBS are diarrhea-predominant (IBS-D), constipation-predominant (IBS-C), and mixed IBS (IBS-M); and
- WHEREAS: IBS can impact work productivity, mental health, and quality of life; and
- WHEREAS: There is no known cure for IBS; and
- WHEREAS: IBS patients seek more funding for research, treatments, and cures; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota can benefit from awareness of IBS for the good of public health and to better support those affected by this disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2022, as:

IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME 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 24th day of March.

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

GOVERNOR

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

SECRETARY OF STATE