



STATE of MINNESOTA

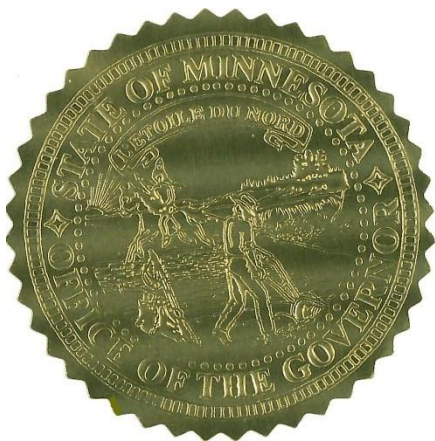
Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Dwarfism is a medical condition that may include over 450 types of genetic conditions, resulting in shorter stature of the affected person; and
- WHEREAS: There are an estimated 1,100 people living in Minnesota with dwarfism, an estimated 65,000 people in the United States, and an estimated 1.5 million in the world; and
- WHEREAS: The popularity of, and the need for, organizations supporting people living with dwarfism is at a historic high, as attested by Little People of America, which has grown from 20 members in 1957 to more than 7,500 worldwide in 2022; and
- WHEREAS: Many Little People in Minnesota contribute to the success of the community by providing ideas, advocating for others, and attending events; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is dedicated to improving the lives of those with dwarfism and organizations that provide support and resources to its members for issues such as adoption, parenting, medical needs, conference and educational scholarships, advocacy, and spreading awareness about dwarfism.

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

DWARFISM 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 30th day of September.

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

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steve Pimm".
SECRETARY OF STATE