



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Antibiotics are a critical weapon against infectious bacterial diseases that can harm people, animals, and the environment; and
- WHEREAS: Extensive or inappropriate use of antibiotics has resulted in the development of antibiotic resistance, which has threatened the ability of health professionals to fight infectious diseases in both humans and animals; and
- WHEREAS: Antibiotic resistance is a major threat to health in the United States, causing more than 2.8 million illnesses and more than 35,000 deaths each year; and
- WHEREAS: Appropriate use and disposal of antibiotics is a key solution to address the threat of antibiotic resistance; and
- WHEREAS: Comprehensive education about antibiotics can facilitate a shift in the mindset and practices of health care providers, veterinarians, environmental experts, and the general public, contributing to greater consistency in appropriate prescribing methods and uses of antibiotics; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota's commitment to antibiotic stewardship includes partners in health care, veterinary medicine, agriculture, industry, and environmental health to ensure that progress on appropriate antibiotic use is made in all settings where antibiotics are used; and
- WHEREAS: We encourage all people to use antibiotics wisely and prevent infections by washing hands, staying up to date on vaccines, and practicing food safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 18 – 24, 2024 as:

ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK

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 13th day of November.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE