



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota seeks to protect, maintain, and improve the health of all Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota One Health Antibiotic Stewardship Collaborative has committed to promote judicious antibiotic use and reduce the impact of antibiotic-resistant pathogens of human, animal, and environmental health importance; and

WHEREAS: Antibiotics are a critical weapon against infectious bacterial diseases that can harm people of all ages and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS: Extensive and often inappropriate use of antibiotics has resulted in the development of antibiotic resistance, which has threatened the ability of health care providers to fight infectious diseases; 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 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 workers and the general public, and contribute to greater consistency in appropriate prescribing methods and uses of antibiotics; and

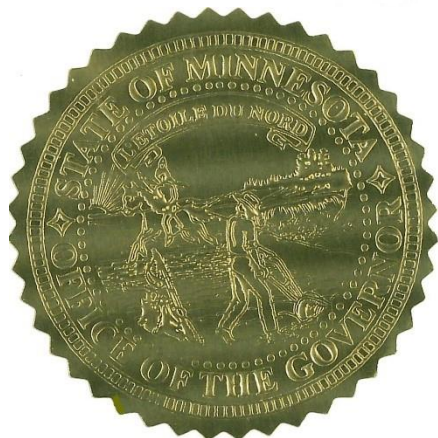
WHEREAS: The Minnesota Department of Health is partnering with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, physician organizations, health plans, local public health organizations, and consumer groups to educate health professionals and consumers about the appropriate use of antibiotics; and

WHEREAS: We encourage the people of Minnesota 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, 2022, 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 4th day of November.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE