



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: There are approximately two million Americans living with limb loss or difference; and

WHEREAS: More than 500 people lose a limb each day in the United States; and

WHEREAS: One thousand babies are born each year in the United States with congenital limb difference; and

WHEREAS: Diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are the leading causes of limb loss followed closely by trauma; and

WHEREAS: Studies show up to 60 percent of limb loss could be preventable; and

WHEREAS: The number of amputations per day is expected to double by 2050 unless preventative measures are implemented; and

WHEREAS: Access to appropriate prosthetic care for people living with limb loss will help them reach their full potential, live independently, and live well; and

WHEREAS: The Amputee Coalition of America and the National Limb Loss Information Center provide valuable services to individuals with limb loss or difference and their families, including education, outreach, and advocacy; and

WHEREAS: As a time of renewal and inspiration, the spring season is an appropriate time to become aware of limb loss and its preventative measures.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2018, as:

LIMB LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



Steve Pimm

SECRETARY OF STATE

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 March.

Mark Dayton
GOVERNOR



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