



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in seven women have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and
- WHEREAS: The World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and
- WHEREAS: Infertility can affect anyone, regardless of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, or socioeconomic level; and
- WHEREAS: Some people can become infertile due to a medical treatment for another condition, most often chemotherapy or radiation for cancer; and
- WHEREAS: Family building options include adoption and medical treatments such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and
- WHEREAS: Limited or lack of insurance coverage is a barrier preventing many from accessing the family building options they need; and
- WHEREAS: Raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota joins RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association, the Minnesota Building Families Coalition, and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by raising awareness of infertility.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 20-26, 2025, as:

# INFERTILITY 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of April.



  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE