



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Children's Minnesota is commemorating 100 years of serving kids and families across the region as one of the largest pediatric health systems in the United States; and

WHEREAS: In 1924, Dr. Walter Reeve Ramsey raised funds to open the organization's first hospital on the corner of Smith Avenue and Walnut Street in St. Paul. The hospital hosted just 16 beds at the time, and has since grown into a multi-site health system with two hospital campuses, welcoming hundreds of thousands of children every year.

WHEREAS: Children's Minnesota is regularly ranked as one of the top pediatric hospitals in the United States by U.S. News & World Report; and

WHEREAS: Children's Minnesota has been recognized for its leadership in patient safety, innovation, equity, and clinical excellence, with particular specialization in cancer treatment, neurosurgery, trauma and emergency medicine, cardiovascular care, and neonatal intensive care; and

WHEREAS: Children's Minnesota is the only health system and Level I Trauma Center in Minnesota to provide care exclusively to children from before birth through young adulthood; and

WHEREAS: Children's Minnesota is a major employer in the state, home to more than 5,000 Kid Experts®. The organization has been recognized for its success in creating a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive workplace.

WHEREAS: Communities across the state recognize the significant contributions of the dedicated teams at Children's Minnesota, who champion the health needs of children and families. Minnesota is proud to be home to the Kid Experts®.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, February 13, 2024, as:

## CHILDREN'S MINNESOTA DAY

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of February.



  
GOVERNOR

  
LEUTENANT GOVERNOR