



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The catastrophic injury or death of a parent or guardian can have a devastating emotional and financial impact on the family unit; and
- WHEREAS: When injury or death of a parent or guardian results from a work-related accident, workers' compensation benefits are often insufficient to allow the children of the worker to pursue their educational dreams; and
- WHEREAS: The SFM Foundation, also known as Kids' Chance of Minnesota, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides financial scholarships to children of seriously injured workers so that the children can pursue and achieve their educational goals; and
- WHEREAS: Kids' Chance of Minnesota has awarded scholarships to over 200 kids' totaling over \$3.2 Million since its inception in 2008; and
- WHEREAS: Kids' Chance of Minnesota is one of many Kids' Chance organizations throughout the United States that make a significant difference in the lives of children affected by a workplace injury; and
- WHEREAS: There are likely more students in need of assistance. Kids' Chance Awareness Week increases the visibility of Kids' Chance organizations across the United States and promotes Kids' Chance scholarship opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 18-23, 2024, as:

## KIDS' CHANCE 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of November.



  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE