

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The week of April 1 – April 7, 2024 is National Public Health Week and the 2024 theme is “Protecting, Connecting and Thriving: We Are All Public Health”; and

WHEREAS, The goal of National Public Health Week is to recognize the contributions of public health in improving the health of all people and achieving racial and health equity; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul – Ramsey County Public Health supports residents and communities all throughout the state of Minnesota and is made up of Administration, Clinical Services, Correctional Health, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Environmental Health, Family Health, Healthy Communities, Recycling and Energy, and WIC divisions; and

WHEREAS, Understanding racism as a public health crisis is fundamental to addressing other vital health outcomes, such as chronic disease prevention, maternal, child and adolescent health, investigating and containing infectious diseases, injury and violence prevention, opioid and substance abuse and environmental justice; and

WHEREAS, Strengthening the public health system and workforce is vital to transforming a system that continues to improve processes, policies and practices focused on awareness, education, outreach, prevention, promoting wellness, providing culturally specific services and including voices from communities most impacted; Now, Therefore, Be It


PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declares the week of April 1 – April 7, 2024 as Public Health Week in Ramsey County; and Be It Further

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners recognizes the efforts and impact of Saint Paul – Ramsey County Public Health and its partners in improving the health of our community.


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