

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The week of April 3rd is National Public Health Week and the 2023 theme is “Centering and Celebrating Cultures in 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, Reducing racial and ethnic health disparities related to COVID–19 deaths, vaccine access and testing is an ongoing concern of public health as it enters its third year of responding to the global pandemic; and

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

WHEREAS, Strengthening the public health system and workforce is vital to transforming a health system focused on treating illness into a health system focused on preventing disease and injury and promoting wellness; Now, Therefore, Be It

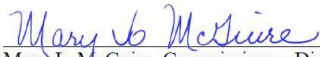
PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declares the week of April 3, 2023, as Public Health Week in Ramsey County and recognizes the efforts of Saint Paul – Ramsey County Public Health, and its partners, in improving community health.



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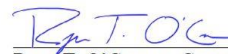
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