



STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Pallister-Killian Syndrome (PKS) is a rare genetic disorder resulting from the duplication of the short arm of chromosome 12, occurring at conception with no known cause. Children with this syndrome suffer low muscle tone, seizures, global developmental delays, and hearing and vision loss; and
- WHEREAS: Fewer than 200 cases of PKS have been diagnosed in the world; however many doctors believe that the incidence of PKS is much higher and could be as many as 2,000 cases in the United States alone. Improper testing methods and lack of awareness of this condition are the main causes of these undiagnosed cases; and
- WHEREAS: Research, education, and raising awareness within the medical community of PKS will aid in early diagnosis of children, and benefit the families and caregivers of children affected by the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, December 4, 2010, to be:

## PALLISTER-KILLIAN SYNDROME AWARENESS 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 30th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the State the one hundred fifty-second.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE