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Mayor Rybak Issues Proclamation for Minneapolis Men's Health Week – June 10-16, 2013

(Washington, DC) – Mayor R.T. Rybak issued a proclamation designating the week leading up to and including Father's Day, as *Men's Health Week in the City of Minneapolis*- which is a special awareness period to help educate men, boys and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventive health practices.

“We recognize the importance of improving the health and well-being of men and boys in our city; when we raise healthier boys who turn into healthy adults, families in our communities become stronger as well,” said Rybak. **“I invite all citizens of Minneapolis to celebrate Men's Health Week in June by going in for a checkup or by setting an appointment for the men you care about.”**

In preparation for Men's Health Week in the City of Cleveland, Men's Health Network (MHN) encourages health care professionals, private industry, faith-based organizations, community groups, insurance companies, and all other interested organizations and individual citizens, to organize and plan for activities and events, which will focus on men's health during the week of June 10-16. For ideas and open resources in both English and Spanish, visit www.menshealthmonth.org.

“I would like to thank Mayor Rybak for recognizing June 10-16 as Men's Health Week in the City of Minneapolis,” said Ana Fadich, MPH, CHES, MHN Vice President. **“We hope that by raising awareness to the health and wellbeing of men and boys around Father's Day, they will be more likely to take action and set a doctor appointment in June. Because of its impact on wives, mothers, daughters, and sisters, men's health is truly a family issue.”**

National [Men's Health Week](#), sponsored by Senator Bob Dole and Congressman Bill Richardson, passed Congress and was signed into law by President Clinton, on May 31, 1994.

Men's Health Week is organized by [Men's Health Network](#) (MHN), a national non-profit organization whose mission is to reach men, boys, and their families where they live, work, play,

and pray with health prevention messages and tools, screening programs, educational materials, advocacy opportunities, and patient navigation. Learn more about MHN at www.menshealthnetwork.org and follow them on Twitter @MensHlthNetwork.

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