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### *Light the Legacy revitalizes Honoring Choices Minnesota, as it transitions from the Twin Cities Medical Society*

Minneapolis, MN, September 7, 2022-- Effective September 1, 2022, Twin Cities Medical Society (TCMS) is passing the torch for statewide advance care planning leadership to Light the Legacy, a non-profit devoted to advance care planning since 2009. Honoring Choices Minnesota has been TCMS' advance care planning initiative since 2008. Due to funding constraints, TCMS ended Honoring Choices Minnesota's active programming in 2021.

In light of its commitment to the importance of advance care planning education and resources for the public and healthcare providers, TCMS has transferred ownership of Honoring Choices Minnesota to Light the Legacy. Light the Legacy will restore and revitalize Honoring Choices Minnesota as Minnesota's statewide advance care planning resource.

"Light the Legacy and Honoring Choices Minnesota are strongly collaborative and community-based," said Mary Ellen Wells, Light the Legacy Board Chair. "Light the Legacy is prepared to expand its outreach, impact, and influence throughout the state of Minnesota and nationally with the Honoring Choices' 11-state National Network. We are pleased to adopt the mission of Honoring Choices Minnesota as our own: to make advance care planning the community's standard of care to ensure every adult Minnesotan's healthcare choices are clearly defined and honored."

Currently, Light the Legacy offers virtual and in-person advance care planning education to the public, as well as specialized training for healthcare professionals and providers.

"Light the Legacy is a tremendous organization committed to our state and to advance care planning," said Becky Timm, TCMS CEO. "We are confident that Light the Legacy will successfully steer this next phase of Honoring Choices in Minnesota and across the nation. We are grateful for their leadership and dedication."

*Light the Legacy educates and empowers the people of Minnesota about the importance of personal healthcare planning through facilitating conversation and inspiring action. [www.lightthelegacy.org](http://www.lightthelegacy.org)*

*Twin Cities Medical Society is now Advocates for Better Health, an organization dedicated to creating a healthy, equitable, and thriving state by engaging physicians and medical students in community-driven public health initiatives.  
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