



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Farm families are the foundation of Minnesota agricultural and rural communities; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota farm families work to raise crops and livestock efficiently while protecting the environment; and
- WHEREAS: Agriculture contributes tremendous bounty and economic activity to the State of Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: The production from Minnesota family farms fuels more than \$3 billion in exports, and provides the raw material for Minnesota's leadership in renewable energy; and
- WHEREAS: The University of Minnesota recognizes and celebrates the vital role of farm families through the Farm Family Recognition Program; and
- WHEREAS: Several families from various counties around the state have been named a "2016 Farm Family of the Year"; and
- WHEREAS: These families were chosen based on their contributions to the agriculture industry, their communities, and the State of Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, August 4, 2016, as:

FARM FAMILY RECOGNITION 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 25th day of July.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE