



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Indian Gaming Association will mark the 25th Anniversary of Minnesota's tribal-state gaming compacts with a gala celebration on September 15, 2016; and

WHEREAS: The tribal-state compacts launched one of the most successful economic development tools ever devised for Native and rural communities in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota tribes directly employ more than 15,000 people in gaming and non-gaming enterprises both on and off the reservation; and

WHEREAS: Tribal government gaming now accounts for a total economic contribution of nearly \$1.8 billion to Minnesota's statewide economy; and

WHEREAS: This contribution by tribal governments to Minnesota's economic health is significant and deserves recognition.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 15, 2016, as:

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT GAMING 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 14th day of September.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE