



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Federal District Judge Miles Welton Lord, known as “the people’s judge,” passed away at the age of 97 on December 10, 2016, in Eden Prairie, Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Judge Lord, a native to the Iron Range, served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1944 to 1945 and received his bachelor’s degree in 1946, and his law degree in 1948 from the University of Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: In 1951, Judge Lord began his career as Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Minnesota, was elected Attorney General of Minnesota from 1954 to 1960, and became U.S. attorney for Minnesota in 1961; and
- WHEREAS: In 1966, Judge Lord was appointed to serve as a federal judge for the Federal District of Minnesota by President Lyndon Johnson, where he later served as the Chief Judge from 1981 to 1985; and
- WHEREAS: Judge Lord presided over several notable cases regarding environmental justice and gender equality and left a profound impact on Minnesota through his leadership, perspective, and commitment to service; and
- WHEREAS: Judge Lord was married to his childhood sweetheart, Maxine, and had four children; and
- WHEREAS: A memorial service will be held at the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church on Thursday, January 12, 2017, in Excelsior, Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby order all U.S. flags and Minnesota flags be flown at half-staff at all state and federal buildings in the State of Minnesota, from sunrise until sunset on Thursday, January 12, 2017, in honor and remembrance of Judge Miles Lord.



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 11th day of January.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE