



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Whitney Clark has devoted 30 years to improving Minnesota's environment, including 20 years at the helm of Friends of the Mississippi River; and
- WHEREAS: Whitney has led Friends of the Mississippi River's growth from a startup nonprofit to one of Minnesota's largest and most effective conservation organizations, engaging over 8,000 people annually in direct action to safeguard the world's greatest river; and
- WHEREAS: Under Whitney's leadership, Friends of the Mississippi River works tirelessly to improve water quality and watershed health; protect and restore critical natural areas throughout the river corridor; advocate for smart, river-friendly development and vibrant communities; educate the public; and grow the next generation of river stewards; and
- WHEREAS: Friends of the Mississippi River has had a tangible and significant impact on the health of the only national park dedicated to the celebration and conservation of the Mighty Mississippi located in the Twin Cities—the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area—including its watershed, and river communities downstream; and
- WHEREAS: Whitney is a remarkable example of someone whose life's work intersects with his greatest passion, resulting in a synergy of energy and circumstance that reverberates, benefiting and inspiring us all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 25, 2017, as:

WHITNEY L. CLARK 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 24th day of April.


GOVERNOR


LT. GOVERNOR