



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Public attention is needed to improve the voluntary use of seat belts to save lives and reduce serious injuries; and
- WHEREAS: On the average, 115 people are killed daily in traffic accidents and 4 million Americans are seriously injured in traffic accidents every year; and
- WHEREAS: It is estimated are that 80 percent of Americans and 93 percent of Minnesotans voluntarily buckle up; and
- WHEREAS: U.S. highway safety officials estimate that if that number could be increased to 100 percent some 30,000 lives could be saved each year and 2 million injuries prevented or reduced in severity; and
- WHEREAS: During the week of May 29-June 3,2017, a campaign urging drivers and their passengers to wear seat belts will be conducted by Wright County Sheriff's Department, KRWC Radio, the Wright County Journal Press, Dr. Jolene Otremba, and Dr. Tom Kuzma; and
- WHEREAS: In an effort to improve seat belt awareness and safety, Minnesotans wearing seat belts will be rewarded during the campaign for wearing their seat belts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 29-June 3,2017, as:

BUCKLE UP FOR SAFETY AND LIVES WEEK

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 May.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE