



## STATE *of* MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: During times of national, state, and local emergencies, and for community and public events, amateur radio operators provide communication resources at no cost to Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio organizations, including Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), are trained to provide effective emergency communication and support; and

WHEREAS: Amateur operators who are trained in spotting and reporting severe weather assist the National Weather Service and the State of Minnesota through the SKYWARN program; and

WHEREAS: Amateur radio clubs throughout Minnesota provide courses of instruction and assist elementary and high school students on amateur radio operation, enhancing students' interest in science, geography, and physics, and provide an opportunity for students to become licensed amateur radio operators.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim June 24-25, 2017, as:

## AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR RECOGNITION DAYS

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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE