



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our state; and
- WHEREAS: A sufficient blood supply is a public safety issue both locally and nationally, and our hospitals and medical centers need a readily available supply for our residents and visitors; and
- WHEREAS: One blood donation can help up to three patients, and although an estimated 38 percent of the U.S. population is eligible to donate blood, less than 10 percent actually do; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is a home to a number of committed public service and private organizations working to raise awareness about the importance of blood donation, including the American Red Cross, the Dr. Daliah Show, and many others; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Blood Donation Day effectively serves to remind us that we need to constantly replenish our blood supply through donation and community awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 8, 2017, as:

## MINNESOTA BLOOD DONATION 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of Septemeber.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE