



STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxiliary is conducting its 105th year of volunteer service to Americans; and
- WHEREAS: Year after year, the organization honors those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by maintaining memorials and sharing history with our nation's youth, so that America's veterans will not be forgotten; and
- WHEREAS: The VFW Auxiliary actively supports the troops currently deployed overseas; and
- WHEREAS: All 475,000 members represent the families of those who have served, or are currently serving, on foreign soil to protect our freedoms; and
- WHEREAS: Members volunteer nearly one million hours in Veterans Affairs Medical Centers and other hospitals throughout the country; and
- WHEREAS: Members donate 5.1 million dollars' worth of goods and services to veterans, active duty service members, and their families; and
- WHEREAS: The organization provides awards and scholarships to students based on expressions of patriotism through their art, speech, and volunteerism; and
- WHEREAS: The 2018-2019 National President, Sandi Kriebel, is rallying VFW Auxiliary members behind the theme, "Believe—We Can Do It"; and
- WHEREAS: On August 18, 2018, the National President will make her official visit to Minnesota; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, August 18, 2018, as:

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY 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 16th day of August.


GOVERNOR





SECRETARY OF STATE