



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: This year marks the 28th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the 73rd Anniversary of the National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Labor has announced the 2018 theme for Disability Employment Awareness Month as "America's Workforce: Empowering All"; and

WHEREAS: Individuals with disabilities are proving themselves as valuable and productive contributors and taxpayers in the workforce; and

WHEREAS: Employers are crucial in providing opportunities for work experience, career paths, and the dignity that comes through labor; and

WHEREAS: To benefit Minnesota's economy and its competitiveness in the global marketplace, the State of Minnesota must value the contributions of all people, including those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota, in accordance with Minnesota's Olmstead Plan, is committed to providing Minnesotans with disabilities a continuum of work options that best meet individual needs and choices in a person-centered manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2018 as:

DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

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 18th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE