



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesota children deserve the love, protection and stability of a permanent family who will provide a supportive environment; and
- WHEREAS: Most foster children have experienced trauma during their childhood developmental years and are waiting to be adopted by families or permanently cared for by relatives; and
- WHEREAS: Children and youth in sibling groups want to be adopted together to maintain strong, essential family bonds; and
- WHEREAS: Older youth often wait in the foster care system the longest; we need adoptive parents for older youth and sibling groups in particular; and
- WHEREAS: Adoptive parents love and are committed to caring for children who may need additional educational, medical, or psychological help; and
- WHEREAS: Communities, government agencies, neighbors, relatives, and others can help families and children by providing support before, during, and after adoption.

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

ADOPTION 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 10th day of October.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE