



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: For 24 years, the Americans with Disabilities Act has provided assurance of equality of opportunity and mandated the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS: The Americans with Disabilities Act has paved the way for people with disabilities to be productive citizens in their communities and has been the standard for which businesses, government entities, and neighborhoods measure their own accessibility; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota consistently exceeds national standards on accessibility and has become a model for other states striving to increase opportunities for people with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS: Today, city buses, light rail transit, shared public transportation, and commuter rail services are accessible to Minnesotans with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is continually striving to increase the number of employed persons with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS: It is important for young people with disabilities to understand the history behind the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the hard work required to get it passed into law; and
- WHEREAS: Together, we have come a long way toward equal opportunity. Let us celebrate the 24th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, recognize the progress that has been made, and continue to promote equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2014, as:

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT 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 7th day of July.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE