



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: A child's birthday is a special day in his or her life; and
- WHEREAS: Recognition of a child's birthday is critical to the development of self-esteem; and
- WHEREAS: Many less fortunate children do not believe they have birthdays because they have never been celebrated; and
- WHEREAS: Cheerful Givers, with the help of many volunteers, has assembled and distributed more than 600,000 birthday gift bags to shelters and food shelves for parents to give their children on their birthday; and
- WHEREAS: On Saturday, March 23, 2013, many Minnesotans are gathering for the Cheerful Givers Great Minnesota Birthday Party at the Mall of America to sing "Happy Birthday" to children who have never celebrated their birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 23, 2013 as:

CHEERFUL GIVERS 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 27th day of February.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE