



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Community action agencies were created when the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 was signed into law and are celebrating a 48-year history of promoting self-sufficiency for those with limited incomes; and
- WHEREAS: Community action agencies have made essential contributions to individuals and families in Minnesota by providing them with innovative and cost-effective programs; and
- WHEREAS: Community action agencies are needed as major participants in the reform of the welfare system as we know it; and
- WHEREAS: Welfare reform in Minnesota has benefited from the State's partnership with community action agencies; and
- WHEREAS: Those living on limited incomes continue to need opportunities to improve their lives and their living conditions; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota and the United States must continue to wage war on poverty by providing support and opportunity for all citizens in need of assistance, thus ensuring that all citizens are able to live with dignity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May, 2012 as:

## COMMUNITY ACTION MONTH

in the State of Minnesota in recognition of the hard work and dedication of Minnesota's community action agencies.



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 11<sup>th</sup> day of April.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark Dayton", written over a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mark Ritchie", written below a horizontal line.

SECRETARY OF STATE