



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Community planning helps citizens manage changes that affect cities, towns, counties, boroughs, townships, and rural areas; and
- WHEREAS: Community planning enables civic leaders, businesses, and citizens to work with professional planners to create a community vision through comprehensive policy recommendations which affect neighborhood redevelopment, historic preservation, transportation, infrastructure, smart growth, public safety, and economic development; and
- WHEREAS: Community planning provides an opportunity for all residents of Minnesota to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their communities; and
- WHEREAS: Effective community planning requires public officials and citizens to understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and
- WHEREAS: The American Planning Association and the American Institute of Certified Planners endorse Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions, sound planning, and plan implementation make to the quality of our communities and environment. It is important to recognize the dedication of community planners and other professionals who contribute their time and expertise to the improvement of communities in the State of Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2012 as:

## COMMUNITY PLANNING 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of September.

Handwritten signature of Mark Dayton in black ink.

GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Mark Ritchie in blue ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE