



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Winter in Minnesota can be extreme in temperature and duration, and many residents require energy assistance to stay warm; and

WHEREAS: The United States Federal Government has made funds available to individuals in need of energy assistance, but these funds are limited. To help close the gap, local communities are making efforts to help their neighbors; and

WHEREAS: In 1982, the Salvation Army began administering HeatShare, a fuel fund designed to provide elderly, disabled, and low income Minnesotans an alternative source of energy assistance when other resources are unavailable; and

WHEREAS: The HeatShare program is a voluntary, nongovernmental program, supported by donors who contribute through monthly utility bills and one-time donations; and

WHEREAS: Over the past thirty years, the Salvation Army's HeatShare program has become one of the nation's largest fuel funds, providing millions of dollars in donations to Minnesotans in need of energy assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 2-8, 2013 as:

HEATSHARE WEEK

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 1st day of February.

Handwritten signature of Mark Dayton in black ink.

GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Mark Ritchie in black ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE