



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Thousands of children in the United States are diagnosed with cancer every year and this disease directly impacts their quality of life; and

WHEREAS: The Love Your Melon Foundation was started by two college students in St. Paul, Minnesota, on October 22, 2012, with the mission of improving the quality of life for children battling cancer; and

WHEREAS: On behalf of the Love Your Melon Foundation, representatives have given over 6,550 hats to children going through cancer treatment, and have provided therapeutic entertainment with each hat donation; and

WHEREAS: Representatives of the Love Your Melon Foundation bring superheroes to life and provide music, arts, and other entertainment for children in the hospital. And, through the Love Your Melon's Cloud Rides program, 15 children battling cancer have enjoyed helicopter, plane, boat, or limo rides; and

WHEREAS: The Love Your Melon Foundation directly impacts the lives of children battling cancer and their families and inspires others to get involved and make a difference; and

WHEREAS: The awareness and funds raised on Love Your Melon Day will create and sustain therapeutic treatment programs in children's hospitals in Minnesota and across the country, thereby improving the quality of life for children battling cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 22, 2014, as:

LOVE YOUR MELON 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 18th day of August.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE