



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Organ and tissue donation is a gift which extends hope and healing to those in need; and
- WHEREAS: Nearly 115,000 Americans and about 3,000 people in Minnesota are waiting for a life-saving transplant; and
- WHEREAS: There is a serious shortage of transplantable organs in the United States, resulting in only 28,000 transplants and nearly 6,000 preventable deaths each year; and
- WHEREAS: One organ and tissue donor can save or improve the lives of up to sixty people; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is a leader in registered organ and tissue donors. Any person of any age can become a donor by indicating their preference on their state ID, or by registering online through either Donate Life Minnesota or LifeSource, one of America's leading organ procurement organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2012 as:

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION 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 16th day of November.

Handwritten signature of Mark Dayton in black ink.

GOVERNOR



Handwritten signature of Mark Ritchie in black ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE