



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: A child's birthday is a special day in his or her life; and
- WHEREAS: Recognition of a child's birthday is critical to the development of self-esteem; and
- WHEREAS: Many less fortunate children don't believe they have a birthday because their birthday has never been celebrated; and
- WHEREAS: Cheerful Givers, with the help of many volunteers, has assembled and distributed more than 700,000 birthday gift bags to shelters and food shelves for parents to give to their children on their birthday; and
- WHEREAS: On Saturday, March 29, 2014, Minnesotans and local celebrities are gathering at the Mall of America for the Great Minnesota Birthday Party to sing Happy Birthday to children who have never celebrated their birthday.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 29, 2014, as:

## CHEERFUL GIVERS 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of February.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE