



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) was established in 1933, when the United States Congress passed the Emergency Conservation Work Act; and
- WHEREAS: Between 1933 and 1942, more than three million individuals, including veterans and young adults from all walks of life, worked on CCC projects in forest protection, conservation, natural resource development, and defense work on military reservations; and
- WHEREAS: The efforts of those who served on CCC projects in Minnesota left a legacy of accomplishments, including construction of enduring log and stone structures in many of the state's parks; revitalization of historic sites; initiation of soil conservation programs to prevent erosion; construction of 4,500 miles of new roads and 23,000 miles of road maintenance; stringing over 3,300 miles of telephone lines; 283,000 days of fire suppression and prevention and construction of 149 fire towers; planting approximately 124 million trees; and 3.5 million days of labor for the United States Forest Service and Minnesota Department of Conservation; and
- WHEREAS: The CCC program offered enrollees hope in desperate times by providing meaningful work, education, and the chance to learn job skills and make lifelong contributions to their communities; and
- WHEREAS: It is important to recognize the 81st Anniversary of the creation of the Civilian Conservation Corps and the outstanding contributions of the CCC enrollees in preserving Minnesota's natural resources and enriching the quality of life of all Minnesotans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 25, 2014, as:

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS MEMBER APPRECIATION 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 24th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE