



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota has been a national leader in recognizing and promoting alternative dispute resolution options and in developing restorative justice alternatives; and
- WHEREAS: Mediation is taught and practiced in many school systems in Minnesota; not only as a way of solving individual disputes, but also as a means toward building a more peaceful society. Conflict resolution is taught in Minnesota's colleges, universities, and law schools; and
- WHEREAS: Community-based conflict resolution programs throughout Minnesota are assisting individuals and groups in resolving neighborhood and community conflicts. Families have used mediation and other dispute resolution processes to successfully resolve issues related to dissolution of marriage, elder law, and parenting issues; and
- WHEREAS: Administrative agencies in Minnesota are using conflict resolution processes to effectively and efficiently resolve disputes internally and externally; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota State Bar Association has recognized the importance of dispute resolution alternatives through its Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Section; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Legislature created the Office of Collaboration and Dispute Resolution within the Bureau of Mediation to serve the dispute resolution needs of the state; and
- WHEREAS: The Association for Conflict Resolution has proclaimed the third Thursday in October each year as Conflict Resolution Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 13-19, 2014, as:

CONFLICT RESOLUTION 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 17th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE