



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Inver Hills Community College has distinguished itself as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance and Cyber Defense as designated by the National Security Agency and the United States Department of Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS: American businesses and government agencies are experiencing large-scale cyber-attacks at an increasing rate; and

WHEREAS: There is a growing need for qualified cybersecurity professionals and many high paying cybersecurity jobs remain unfilled in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: On Saturday, March 15, 2014, an elite group of students, veterans, and job seekers from across Minnesota will compete in the Minnesota Cyber Aces State Championship at Inver Hills Community College, where they will display their cybersecurity talent in a defense simulation called NetWars, the same hands-on simulation used by the United States military and federal government to train its officers in cyber warfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 15, 2014, as:

## CYBER ACES 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of March.



  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE