



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Hundreds of people die and thousands are injured each year in the United States as a result of electrical accidents; and
- WHEREAS: On average, there are 418 civilian deaths related to electrical home structure fires each year, and property damage resulting from home fires caused by electrical failure or malfunction amounts to more than \$1.4 billion annually; and
- WHEREAS: Following basic electrical safety precautions can help prevent thousands of people from being injured or killed each year; and
- WHEREAS: Citizens are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards, and are advised to protect their homes and families with the latest safety technology, including ground fault circuit interrupters, arc fault circuit interrupters, and tamper resistant receptacles; and
- WHEREAS: Citizens are urged to install, test, and properly maintain an adequate number of smoke alarms in their homes and workplaces; and
- WHEREAS: The Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) is dedicated exclusively to promoting electrical safety through education, awareness, and advocacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2014, as:

ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

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 23rd day of April.


GOVERNOR





SECRETARY OF STATE