



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota is home to a diverse number of immigrants and refugees from around the world; and

WHEREAS: The International Institute of Minnesota has assisted in resettling these immigrants and refugees into the state since 1919; and

WHEREAS: The Festival of Nations, which started in 1932, was born out of the International Institute of Minnesota's mission, and will be celebrating its 82nd festival this year; and

WHEREAS: The Festival of Nations is the largest and longest running multi-cultural festival in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: The Festival of Nations provides an environment in which the over 90 different ethnic groups that participate in the Festival of Nations can showcase their respective cultures.

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

FESTIVAL OF NATIONS 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 28th day of April.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE