



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Great River Road was created in 1938 to highlight the nearly 3,000 mile, ten-state journey of the Mississippi River from its headwaters at Lake Itasca in Minnesota, to its mouth at the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS: The Great River Road is a National Scenic Byway, drawing visitors from across the nation and the world to its unique cultural, recreational, and scenic attractions; and

WHEREAS: As home of the headwaters of the Mississippi River, the State of Minnesota has 575 miles of Great River Road, spanning 21 counties, the longest stretch of any of the Great River Road states; and

WHEREAS: The Mississippi River states—Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee, and Wisconsin—are celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Great River Road throughout the year 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2013, as:

GREAT RIVER ROAD 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 2nd day of May.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE