



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our state and nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and
- WHEREAS: Women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside the home; and
- WHEREAS: Women have played a unique role throughout history by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the nation; and
- WHEREAS: Women of every background served as early leaders in the forefront of major progressive social change movements; and
- WHEREAS: Women have been leaders not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement and the peace movement, creating a more fair and just society for all; and
- WHEREAS: Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the literature, teaching, and study of history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 2012 as:

WOMEN'S HISTORY 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 12th day of March.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE