



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota is committed to partnering with all members of the community in eliminating racial disparities; and
- WHEREAS: The mission of the YWCA of Minneapolis is "Eliminating racism and empowering women and girls;" and
- WHEREAS: Talk is critical to creating action; talk leads to understanding; understanding leads to action; and action leads to change; and
- WHEREAS: By sharing stories and life experiences, participants of Dialogue on Race Day expand one another's knowledge and understanding of how racism and white privilege affect all of us; and
- WHEREAS: Understanding how racism and privilege affect all of us is motivation for change both personally and professionally, carving a path for change in our communities and institutions; and
- WHEREAS: Participating in a dialogue on race is an opportunity for colleagues and friends to build skills, while engaging in essential conversations about race; and
- WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota deserve an opportunity for dialogue to expand knowledge and to inspire understanding, while engaging in conversations about race with a racially-diverse group of people.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim  
Wednesday, November 5, 2014, as:

## DIALOGUE ON RACE 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE