



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the extraordinary service and sacrifice of the men and women in law enforcement who keep our communities safe, enforce the rule of law, and respond in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Law Enforcement Memorial Association was established in 1974 to honor fallen and injured officers who put their lives on the line for the protection of all Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Law Enforcement Memorial was dedicated at the Minneapolis/Saint Paul International Airport in 1977, and was later recreated on the Minnesota State Capitol grounds in 1995; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota was fortunate not to have lost a single law enforcement officer in the line of duty in 2016, however, our nation lost a total of 138 courageous officers; and

WHEREAS: Today and every day, it is fitting to honor those Peace Officers who put their own lives on the line to protect the lives of others and thank the over 10,000 law enforcement officials in Minnesota for their dedication and service to our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, January 9, 2017, as:

LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION 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 6th day of January.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE