



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Workforce development supports the economic health of Minnesota families and communities, and investing in the education, training, and career advancement of our workforce is vital to our state's ability to compete in the global economy; and
- WHEREAS: Ensuring all people in Minnesota can enter and advance in the labor force reduces economic disparities and strengthens workers, families, employers, and communities; and
- WHEREAS: Employers in manufacturing, healthcare, and other industries need workers with in-demand skills to serve their communities, grow businesses, and remain competitive in the global economy; and
- WHEREAS: Collaboration among all members of Minnesota's workforce development system, including industry partners, Local Workforce Development Boards, government agencies, educational institutions, labor organizations, and community-based organizations, is essential to preparing and supporting a workforce that meets the needs of our labor market; and
- WHEREAS: During the Walz-Flanagan Administration, Minnesota's labor force grew to its biggest number in recorded history, achieved the lowest unemployment rate ever recorded in our state's history, expanded financial aid to more than 60,000 students, and implemented a Paid Leave program, strengthening pathways to family-sustaining employment across the state; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development and partners in Minnesota's CareerForce system help job seekers identify their interests and skills, develop strong job search strategies, and secure fulfilling employment while helping employers find candidates with the right skills and interests to fill open positions, grow their businesses, and retain engaged employees who help our communities thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim September 2026 as:

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT 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 August.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE