



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Trees and forests brighten Minnesota's future by creating jobs, providing recreational settings, increasing property values, and making cities more livable; and
- WHEREAS: Trees and forests brighten society by building strong community ties, reducing crime, and providing common meeting places; and
- WHEREAS: Trees and forests brighten our lives by providing lumber for building homes, fiber for producing paper, foliage for decorating, and food for eating; and
- WHEREAS: Trees and forests brighten the environment by moderating climate, improving air and water quality, conserving water and energy, and sheltering wildlife; and
- WHEREAS: Each year, on the last Friday in April, and throughout the month of May, Minnesotans pay special tribute to the trees and all the natural resources they represent, and dedicate themselves to the continued health of our state's community and rural forests.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2013 as:

ARBOR DAY

and the month of May 2013 as Arbor 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 13th day of March.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE