



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The American Art Therapy Association connects the community to the important work of Art Therapists around the world who use the creative process to help people of all ages improve their health and emotional well-being. The Association represents more than 5,000 members around the world and in its 40 Chapters throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: Art therapy is a mental health profession in which clients, facilitated by the Art Therapist, use art media, the creative process, and the resulting artwork to explore their feelings, reconcile emotional conflicts, foster self-awareness, manage behavior and addictions, develop social skills, improve reality orientation, reduce anxiety, and increase self-esteem; and

WHEREAS: Art therapy is used within our community to enhance the lives of children, adolescents, veterans, and elders, in individual, group, and family settings for assessment and treatment; and

WHEREAS: The American Art Therapy Association will convene its 46th annual conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota July 7 through July 12 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of July 7-12, 2015, as:

ART THERAPY WEEK

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 11th day of June.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE