



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Financial literacy is essential to the economic vitality of individuals and the State of Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Providing all Minnesotans, from Kindergarten through retirement, with the tools to make informed choices and avoid pitfalls, helps improve their present and long-term financial security; and
- WHEREAS: Financial empowerment includes ongoing education for Minnesotans in all stages of life, from budgeting and understanding credit, to responsible borrowing, planning for retirement, and consumer protection; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota and its financial literacy partners, including the Minnesota Jump\$tart Coalition, bring together individuals and representatives from organizations to improve the personal financial literacy of Minnesotans by focusing on the development, dissemination, and promotion of teaching personal finance from Kindergarten through retirement; and
- WHEREAS: Gaining financial literacy skills improves the quality of life, provides skills for success, contributes to communities, and benefits the economy; and
- WHEREAS: The efforts of the impressive network of non-profit organizations, state and local government programs, private enterprises, financial institutions, and the Minnesota Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy volunteers, should be recognized.

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

## FINANCIAL LITERACY 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of March.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE