



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: In observance of the national commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam War, the citizens of Minnesota honor and give thanks to a generation of Americans who saw our country through one of the most challenging missions ever faced; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota service men and women put their lives on hold when called upon to assemble at our nation's request to serve during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS: These individuals served bravely, with honor and distinction, and 1,077 heroically laid down their lives to preserve the freedoms that we Americans hold dear; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Minnesota are proud of the service and accomplishments of Vietnam Veterans and are indebted to them for their sacrifices; and

WHEREAS: It is never too late to pay tribute to and honor those who answered our nation's call in Vietnam. It is appropriate and just to recognize the achievements of our Minnesota Vietnam Veterans and thank them for their sacrifices and service provided in the name of our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim March 29, 2013 as:

## MINNESOTA VIETNAM VETERANS 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of March.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE