



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesota is grounded in values of dignity, fairness, community, and respect for the rule of law; and
- WHEREAS: Recent federal immigration enforcement actions have deeply affected individuals, families, and communities across our state, creating fear, instability, and uncertainty for many people; and
- WHEREAS: These conditions ripple through our neighborhoods, separating families and disrupting workplaces, classrooms, places of worship, and all spaces that people gather; and
- WHEREAS: In moments of shared concern and moral reflection, people in Minnesota have long chosen peaceful, nonviolent civic engagement to express solidarity with their neighbors, strengthen their communities, and care for one another; and
- WHEREAS: Labor organizations, faith leaders, community-based organizations, students, workers, small businesses, and allies from across Minnesota and beyond have invited participation in a voluntary Day of Truth and Freedom to honor community action and uphold our shared values of justice; and
- WHEREAS: Acts of service, engagement, and peaceful expression take many forms, and people may choose to honor our immigrant neighbors and observe this day through fasting and prayer, charity, peaceful demonstration, quiet reflection, or through financial contributions or economic resistance; and
- WHEREAS: Faith leaders and community leaders across Minnesota have affirmed a shared commitment to peace, safety, respect for others, democracy for all, and the restoration of trust within neighborhoods and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, January 23, 2026, as:

DAY OF TRUTH AND
FREEDOM

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 22nd day of January.




GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE