



## STATE *of* MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Transgender Day of Visibility honors the memory and bravery of trans people around the world
- WHEREAS: This annual day provides a forum for trans communities and allies to raise awareness of the needs of trans, non-binary, and gender-nonconforming people, as well as the persistence of anti-trans prejudice that permeates our society; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota recognizes that trans community members are disproportionately affected by hate crimes and violence, and experience a myriad of challenges in their daily lives due to discrimination, disproportionately high levels of unemployment, and limited access to health care; and
- WHEREAS: Transgender Day of Visibility helps Minnesota to recognize, admire, and celebrate trans, gender non-conforming, and non-binary Minnesotans; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota also honors and commemorates the strength, commitment, and immense efforts of those working for equity and justice for trans, gender-nonconforming, and non-binary people; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota strives to constantly support, embrace, and cherish trans people who are worthy of love, understanding, and acceptance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 31, 2023, as:

## TRANSGENDER DAY OF VISIBILITY

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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tim Walz".

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Steve Simon".

SECRETARY OF STATE