



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Farmworkers play an essential role in Minnesota's economy, including over 64,000 farms – elevating Minnesota's rank as a top state in agricultural production; and
- WHEREAS: More than 388,134 workers, including seasonal workers, foreign laborers, migrant workers, recent immigrants and refugees, and emerging farmers, generate over \$106 billion annually in total economic impact in the agricultural production and processing industries in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Women farmworkers make significant contributions to Minnesota's agricultural workforce, demonstrating leadership and dedication in sustaining our food systems and communities; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is committed to protecting the rights and well-being of farmworkers, ensuring workplace safety, employment protections, access to safe housing and transportation, and critical health care needs, including through initiatives such as the Safe Workplaces for Meat and Poultry Workers Act and the Governor's Committee on the Safety, Health, and Well-being of Agricultural and Food Processing Workers; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota recognizes the towns and communities that have welcomed immigrant and farmworker families, fostering opportunity across the state; and
- WHEREAS: Throughout the years, leaders across the country have and continue to show their commitment to achieving economic and social justice for farmworkers by organizing nonviolent actions such as boycotts, strikes, fasts, and marches; and
- WHEREAS: All workers in Minnesota can benefit from the gains in worker safety and protection that organizers and union leaders have fought for; and WHEREAS: Minnesota remains committed to ensuring that seasonal, migrant, farm, and agricultural workers who call Minnesota home feel welcomed and have every opportunity to succeed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, March 31, 2026, as:

FARMWORKERS 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 26th day of March.




GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE