

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Everyone in Minnesota deserves clean air to breathe, clean water to drink, and equal

environmental protection under the law, regardless of which zip code they live in; and

WHEREAS: On April 22, 1970, millions of Americans joined in collective action on the first Earth Day; and

WHEREAS: People from all walks of life challenged our nation to confront our most urgent environmental

issues and rallied around a single message: The success of future generations depends upon how

we act today; and

WHEREAS: Remembering the bipartisan spirit of the first Earth Day, today we find common cause in

 $developing\ innovative\ solutions\ to\ protect\ Minnesota \hbox{'s unique}\ and\ cherished\ ecosystems\ from$ 

pollution, environmental degradation, and the worst impacts of climate change; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota's civic and business leaders work together to ensure we remain at the forefront of

sustainability and that our communities are resilient in the face of a changing environment; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota shares land with 11 sovereign Tribal nations that have been essential long-standing

partners in improving and protecting Minnesota's waters, air, and lands; and

WHEREAS: The success of future generations, especially those historically exposed to higher levels of

pollution, still depends upon the actions we take today – both big and small, as individuals and members of a larger community – and our service as good stewards of our shared environment; and

WHEREAS: As we work to create a healthy, sustainable future, we must also equip the next generation with

the tools they need to take on tomorrow's environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS: As we commemorate the anniversary of Earth Day, we reflect on the challenges that remain before

us and recommit ourselves to protecting our environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, April 22, 2025, as:

## EARTH 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  $18^{\rm th}$  day of April.

GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE