

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Disability Pride Month is celebrated in July to acknowledge that the Americans with Disabilities

Act of 1990 (ADA) was signed into law on July 26, 1990; and

WHEREAS: Nearly one in four people have a disability, and people with disabilities make tremendous

contributions to Minnesota's art, culture, economy, and communities; and

WHEREAS: People with disabilities are valued and vibrant members of Minnesota's communities; and

WHEREAS: People with disabilities are diverse and have intersectional identities, as well as sharing a

community and culture that is built around their lived experiences; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota acknowledges the long history of isolation and discrimination against Minnesotans

with disabilities and recognizes the decades of activism and advocacy by the disability community;

and

WHEREAS: Minnesota acknowledges that celebrating culture, community, and the ADA is only a starting

point, and there remains significant room for progress toward full and equitable access and

inclusion for all Minnesotans with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim July 2022 as:

## DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

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 29<sup>th</sup> day of June.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE