



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Minnesota's success depends on ensuring that every person feels a sense of belonging in the place they call home; and
- WHEREAS: People with deep roots in Minnesota, as well as those who have recently arrived as immigrants, refugees, or newcomers, contribute to our communities as homeowners, entrepreneurs, volunteers, and public servants who enrich our shared culture through their leadership and unique experiences; and
- WHEREAS: By fostering a welcoming environment for all, Minnesota strengthens its health, economic prosperity, and overall well-being for current and future generations; and
- WHEREAS: State and local community efforts that build understanding and collaboration between long-time Minnesota residents and our new neighbors are crucial to ensuring that Minnesota remains welcoming; and
- WHEREAS: The Office of New Americans within the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development plays a vital role in fostering inclusion, economic opportunity, and integration by coordinating efforts across state agencies and working with communities, businesses, and local governments to support immigrants, refugees, and all New Americans throughout Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota reaffirms its commitment to being a welcoming state for every person who lives in or visits Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of September 12-21, 2025, as:

WELCOMING WEEK

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 10th day of September.




GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE