



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Quality after-school programs provide safe, enriching, and engaging learning experiences that support children's development, strengthen families, and build stronger communities; and
- WHEREAS: Through the involvement of students, parents, educators, business leaders, and volunteers, after-school programs invest in the lives of young people and advance their academic growth, wellness, and confidence; and
- WHEREAS: After-school programs offer hands-on learning opportunities that help youth discover new interests, connect with caring adults and peers, and develop the skills essential for success in life and work; and
- WHEREAS: These programs play a vital role in supporting families and addressing key needs such as learning recovery, school attendance, and career readiness; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is a leader in youth education and well-being, grounded in the belief that quality after-school programs help children reach their full potential and contribute to thriving communities; and
- WHEREAS: Lights On Afterschool highlights the important role after-school programs play in supporting Minnesota's youth, families, and communities, and draws attention to the need for continued investment to ensure that all young people have access to safe, enriching opportunities beyond the school day; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota is committed to the health, safety, and success of all young people by providing expanded learning opportunities that help our children learn, grow, and thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, October 23, 2025, as:

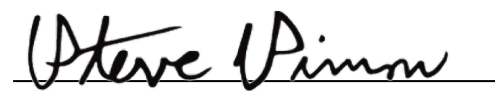
LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL DAY

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 17th day of October.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE