



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Fulbright program is the Federal Government's flagship international, academic exchange program designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries; and
- WHEREAS: The Fulbright program is the most widely recognized and most prestigious international exchange program in the world, active in over 150 countries; and
- WHEREAS: The Fulbright program provides opportunities for American students, scholars, teachers, and professionals to undertake graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and teaching in elementary and secondary schools around the world; and
- WHEREAS: More than 300,000 individuals have participated in the Fulbright program since its inception in 1946; and
- WHEREAS: Hundreds of Minnesota Fulbright alumni have studied, taught, or performed research in other countries, returning to Minnesota to make significant contributions to the educational, cultural, and economic life of the state; and
- WHEREAS: Universities and colleges throughout Minnesota actively participate in Fulbright programs, encouraging students to participate in international exchanges and research, supporting faculty who engage in teaching in academic institutions around the world, and recognizing those who have gained substantial experience by participating in the Fulbright program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 28, 2013, as:

## FULBRIGHT ALUMNI APPRECIATION 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of September.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE