



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Family businesses are critical to the success of our state and national economies; and
- WHEREAS: Family businesses enhance our communities by providing stable, trustworthy services; and
- WHEREAS: According to *Family Business*, ninety percent of businesses in the United States are family businesses; and
- WHEREAS: Family businesses generate forty-nine percent of our gross domestic product and employ eighty percent of the United States' workforce; and
- WHEREAS: Thirty-seven percent of Fortune 500 companies are family controlled, and sixty percent of all publicly held companies in the United States are family controlled; and
- WHEREAS: Cargill, with its headquarters in the State of Minnesota, is the largest family business in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2013, as:

FAMILY BUSINESS AWARENESS 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 25th day of October.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE