



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS:** In observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation's peace and prosperity, the United States Departments of State and Education have declared November 12-15, 2013, as International Education Week; and
- WHEREAS:** International education and exchange includes thousands of programs, public and private, campus-based and nationwide, which promote sharing ideas and experiences across borders. Programs include: study abroad; citizen and scholarly exchanges; foreign students on United States' campuses; foreign language studies; and global approaches to education in the United States; and
- WHEREAS:** By participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and cultures, and are better prepared to succeed in a global environment; and
- WHEREAS:** We live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness, and national security; and
- WHEREAS:** Through international education, the United States can establish a foundation for dialogue and partnership with the rest of the world and create conditions for lasting global peace, security, and well-being; and
- WHEREAS:** Minnesota colleges, universities, high schools, and language institutes have recently united to form the Study Minnesota Consortium to increase the number of international students in Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 12-15, 2013, as:

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION 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 1st day of November.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE