



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: On April 5, 1978, Minnesota's Legislature and Governor established in law the nation's first sentencing guidelines commission; and
- WHEREAS: On June 2, 1978, the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission held its first meeting, becoming the first independent commission to develop sentencing guidelines; and
- WHEREAS: Following Minnesota's leadership, many other states, the District of Columbia, and the United States federal court system have now established independent sentencing guidelines commissions to promote a sentencing guidelines structure; and
- WHEREAS: In 1989, the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission was officially entrusted with, first and foremost, promoting public safety in establishing and modifying the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission promotes uniform and proportional sanctions for felony offenders, while ensuring the safety of the public and prioritizing the use of the State's limited correctional resources; and
- WHEREAS: This year marks the 40th Anniversary of the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission developing policy, practice, and research to maintain rational, consistent, and neutral sentencing standards for the safety and fairness of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, June 7, 2018, as:

MINNESOTA SENTENCING GUIDELINES COMMISSION 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 31st day of May.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE