



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) is a prevention and education program that advocates and educates for healthy and safe children; and
- WHEREAS: D.A.R.E. targets young people and their families, and teaches the skills to make positive decisions, have safe and healthy lifestyles, and resist engaging in negative and violent behaviors; and
- WHEREAS: Over 25 million students have been reached worldwide and approximately 74,000 Minnesota students receive instruction annually; and
- WHEREAS: The D.A.R.E. curriculum helps students understand self-image, recognize and manage stress without taking drugs or using violence, evaluate risk-taking behavior, resist gang pressure, apply decision-making techniques, evaluate the consequences of the choices available to them, discover ways to handle conflict, and learn friendship skills; and
- WHEREAS: The D.A.R.E. program has achieved outstanding success teaching positive and effective approaches to two of the most difficult problems facing our young people today, drug abuse and violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 4, 2013 as:

## D.A.R.E. 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of March.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE