



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Minnesota State Legislature created the Minnesota Highway Patrol in 1929 with an initial force of nine men; and
- WHEREAS: Today more than 500 men and women serve as Minnesota State Troopers and provide assistance, education, and enforcement to state citizens, and deliver safe, efficient movement of traffic on Minnesota's roadways; and
- WHEREAS: Troopers are supported by 295 civilian personnel; and
- WHEREAS: Troopers educate Minnesotans about the importance of traffic safety by: investigating serious crashes, conducting flight patrols and search and rescue missions, assisting other law enforcement agencies, and serving as a vital component of the state's homeland security efforts; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota State Patrol is dedicated to making our highways safer by working tirelessly to prevent tragedies from occurring on our roadways; and
- WHEREAS: State Troopers take an oath to lay down their lives rather than swerve from the path of duty; and
- WHEREAS: The State Patrol, recognizing the hundreds of families who have lost loved ones in traffic crashes, focuses on the mission of traffic safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, August 31, 2015, as:

MINNESOTA STATE PATROL 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 25th day of August.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE