

## STATE of MINNESOTA

WHEREAS: Polar explorer and Minnesotan Will Steger served as an early eyewitness to climate

change through his 50 years of polar exploration which moved him to educate and

advocate for action on the issue; and

WHEREAS: Will Steger established Climate Generation: A Will Steger Legacy in 2006 to build

awareness of climate change and momentum toward solutions; and

WHEREAS: Climate Generation empowers individuals and their communities to engage in solutions

to climate change; and

WHEREAS: Climate Generation is celebrating 10 years of accomplishments, including reaching over

75,000 Minnesotans, 35,000 youth leaders, 17,000 educators, and hundreds of communities in their effort to build durable public will for climate and clean energy

policy; and

WHEREAS: Climate Generation has set a goal of 100% clean energy and 80% greenhouse gas emission

reductions by 2050 to combat the profound impact of climate change on Minnesota, which is warming our winters, increasing the likelihood of severe weather, and

undermining farmer's abilities to predict the growing season; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota's efforts to advance climate solutions through organizations like Climate

Generation will create thousands of clean energy jobs and ensure an equitable, resilient

future for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, December 1, 2016, as:

## CLIMATE GENERATION 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 1st day of December.

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SECRETARY OF STATE