

STATE of MINNESOTA

WHEREAS: Bob Dylan was born Robert Allen Zimmerman in Duluth, Minnesota on May 24, 1941; and

WHEREAS: Dylan was raised in Hibbing, Minnesota, and graduated from Hibbing High School in 1959;

and

WHEREAS: He played in several bands throughout high school and college, and performed his first paying

gig at the Hibbing Armory with the 'Golden Chords'; and

WHEREAS: Dylan drew inspiration from folk, blues, country, R&B, rock 'n' roll, gospel, poetry,

surrealism, personal experience, and social commentary to create distinctive prose and music;

and

WHEREAS: He is widely recognized as one of the most influential songwriters in the post-war era, and for

transforming the boundaries of American popular music; and

WHEREAS: Dylan is a 1997 Kennedy Center Honors winner, and was awarded the Presidential Medal of

Freedom in 2012; and

WHEREAS: He was awarded a special Pulitzer Prize in 2008 for "his profound impact on popular music

and American Culture, marked by lyrical compositions of extraordinary poetic power"; and

WHEREAS: Dylan has been awarded the 2016 Nobel Prize in Literature for work that the Swedish

Academy described as "having created new poetic expressions within the great American

song tradition"; and

WHEREAS: Dylan's legacy is such that generations of people in the United States and around the world

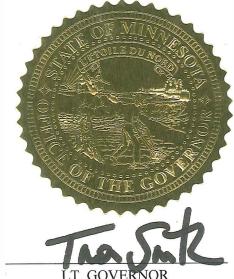
will know and celebrate his immense contributions to American literary culture and popular

song.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, December 10, 2016, as:

BOB DYLAN 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 $8^{\rm th}$ day of December.

GOVERNOR