



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Firefighter Timothy Wayne Royce, fifty-eight years of age, was a seventeen-year veteran of the Mapleton Fire Department; and
- WHEREAS: Royce grew up in Good Thunder, and graduated from Amboy-Good Thunder High School; and
- WHEREAS: Royce was an exemplary firefighter, and was admired and respected by his colleagues; and
- WHEREAS: In addition to his public service with the Mapleton Fire Department, Royce also worked at Dietz Foods in Mapleton; and
- WHEREAS: Royce died on Friday, March 30, 2018, from a heart attack after responding to a traffic crash and medical call the previous afternoon and evening; and
- WHEREAS: Royce was a devoted father to his two children; and
- WHEREAS: Royce will be remembered and loved by his children, Katelyn and Jacob; sisters Nancy Goodwin (Tony), Laurie Ertman (Steve), and Lisa Bjorklund (Tony); and many other relatives, friends, and community members; and
- WHEREAS: Royce had an open heart to his community and his many friends, and was an active member of the Faith Bible Church; and
- WHEREAS: A celebration of Royce's life will be held on Sunday, April 8, 2018, at Maple River High School in Mapleton; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes Firefighter Timothy Wayne Royce for his dedicated service to, and sacrifice for, his fellow citizens of Minnesota with its deepest gratitude, and all thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and entire community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby order all United States flags and Minnesota flags be flown at half-staff at all state and federal buildings in the State of Minnesota, from sunrise until sunset, on Sunday, April 8, 2018, in honor and remembrance of Firefighter Timothy Wayne Royce.

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 6th day of April.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE