

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Lindsay Marie Whalen was born May 9, 1982 in Hutchinson, Minnesota, and attended

Hutchinson High School; and

WHEREAS: She was a four-time All-Missota Conference pick, who led her team to three conference

basketball championships, and was a four-time honorable mention All-State selection;

and

WHEREAS: Lindsay attended the University of Minnesota and in 2004, became Minnesota's all-time

leading scorer in women's basketball; and

WHEREAS: She was selected in the first round of the 2004 WNBA Draft (4<sup>th</sup> overall) by the

Connecticut Sun and was then the highest-drafted WNBA player ever from the Big Ten

Conference; and

WHEREAS: In January 2010, Whalen was traded to the Minnesota Lynx, and in 2011, she helped lead

the Lynx to their first WNBA Championship, followed by WNBA Championsips in 2013,

2015, and 2017; and

WHEREAS: Lindsay has won two Olympic Gold Medals and four WNBA titles; was named a WNBA

All-Star five times and also one of the top 20 players in the WNBA's first 20 years; and

WHEREAS: She will retire from the Minnesota Lynx as the all-time winningest player in WNBA

history; and

WHEREAS: She will return to her college alma mater as the Head Coach of the Gophers Women's

Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS: Lindsay Whalen will forever be recognized as one of Minnesota's all-time greatest

athletes, has inspired, and will continue to inspire future generations of girls and boys by

her exceptional talent, character, and conduct.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, August 19, 2018, as:

## LINDSAY WHALEN 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 16<sup>th</sup> day of August.

