



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Sergeant Dillon J. Semolina, twenty-four years of age, was a resident of Delano, Minnesota and a graduate of Delano High School; and
- WHEREAS: Sergeant Semolina was a dedicated member of the United States Marine Corps, becoming the Company Guide in boot camp and receiving a meritorious promotion to Lance Corporal; and
- WHEREAS: As a helicopter crew chief, he was recognized for his professionalism, sense of direction, and leadership skills which quickly promoted him to Corporal, and eventually Sergeant; and
- WHEREAS: Sergeant Semolina passed away on Thursday, January 14, 2016. Sergeant Semolina was compassionate and kind-hearted, and will be missed dearly by his wife Laurie, his parents Mike and Lisa, grandparents, biological father Kevin, sisters Isabella and Celeste, brothers Gregory and Gabriel, aunts, uncles, and several cousins and extended family and friends; and
- WHEREAS: A celebration of Sergeant Semolina's life will be held Friday, February 26, 2016, in Bloomington, Minnesota, followed by interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes Sergeant Semolina for his dedicated service and his sacrifice to fellow citizens of Minnesota and the United States of America. All thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby order all U.S. 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 Friday, February 26, 2016, in honor and remembrance of Sergeant Semolina.



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 23rd day of February.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE