



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: In 1936, the United States Congress designated the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mother's Day; and

WHEREAS: In bearing the loss of a loved one who has made the ultimate sacrifice, Gold Star Mothers and their families truly understand freedom is not free, and the liberties we enjoy today come at a great cost; and

WHEREAS: Gold Star Mothers and their families have given much to their communities through compassionate volunteer work; and

WHEREAS: The family members of our fallen heroes deserve the utmost respect and gratitude of our nation and the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: It is important for Minnesotans to remember and honor the tremendous sacrifices made by Gold Star Mothers and their families in securing our freedom and liberty.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2012 as:

GOLD STAR MOTHER'S AND FAMILIES 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 28th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE