



STATE *of* MINNESOTA

- WHEREAS: More than 20,000 Korean-Minnesotans contribute enormously to Minnesota's economic, academic and cultural vibrancy; and
- WHEREAS: The economies of both the Republic of Korea (South Korea) and Minnesota benefit significantly from the commercial and investment relationships between South Korea and Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Trade Office established an official representative office in South Korea to promote stronger commercial ties and greater economic cooperation; and
- WHEREAS: The University of Minnesota and Seoul National University have enjoyed an extremely close partnership for more than 60 years including student and faculty exchanges and research collaboration across a variety of academic disciplines; and
- WHEREAS: More than 1,500 Korean students study at Minnesota colleges, universities, high schools and language institutions; and
- WHEREAS: His Excellency Ahn Ho-Young, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to the United States of America, will visit Minnesota on April 8, 2016, to affirm and strengthen these connections as part of Global Minnesota's "Year of the Republic of Korea".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 8, 2016, as:

REPUBLIC OF KOREA 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 4th day of April.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE



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