



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: From the 1970s to the 1990s, Black fashion shows and performance art were an important part of cultural life in the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: Black fashion professionals and enthusiasts enriched the artistic community with unique patterns, vivid coloring, and innovative design; and

WHEREAS: Participants gave freely of their time, talents, and services to help create opportunities for African-American artists, provide exposure for the fashion community, and entertain audiences and fashion enthusiasts; and

WHEREAS: Black fashion shows and events were held across the Twin Cities region at various venues, including restaurants, nightclubs, theatres, churches, hotels, and community centers; and

WHEREAS: On October 21, 2012, a special celebration at the Capri Theatre in Minneapolis, Minnesota, will reunite models, designers, producers, commentators, photographers, and fashion enthusiasts to commemorate the influence of Black fashion on Minnesota's cultural history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2012 as:

BLACK FASHION HISTORY 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 17th day of October.

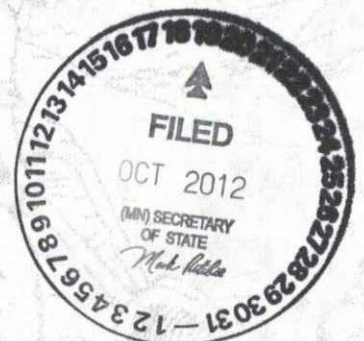
Mark Dayton

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