



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Americans of Germanic descent have contributed to our state's agriculture, business, educational, medical, cultural, and civic institutions since Territorial days; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans of Germanic lineage continue to be active participants in the public life of a state renowned for hard work, literacy, innovation, and tolerance; and
- WHEREAS: Germanic ancestry is claimed by more Minnesotans than any other ethnic identity, resulting in vigorous and fruitful connection and cooperation between Minnesota and contemporary German-speaking countries; and
- WHEREAS: The Germanic-American Institute of Minnesota continues its work, begun in 1957 as the Volksfest Association, as the state's center for promoting the understanding and enjoyment of Germanic history, culture, and language.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, declare June 10 – 11, 2006, as:

## DEUTSCHE TAGE – GERMAN DAYS

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 31st day of May in the year two thousand and six, and of the State the one hundred forty-eighth.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE

