



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: On any given day in the State of Minnesota, there are over 9,900 children in foster care. This number is up twelve percent from last year, with over 16,600 Minnesota children receiving out-of-home placement care in 2016; and
- WHEREAS: The proper growth and development of Minnesota children in safe and healthy environments, where their physical and emotional needs are properly addressed, is tremendously important; and
- WHEREAS: The organization "Adoption is Love Fund" exists to highlight the urgent need for more foster parents and adoptive families, in addition to promoting further support for current foster/adoptive families; and
- WHEREAS: The Adoption is Love Fund has effectively organized county agencies, adoption agencies, and other organizations who support foster care to hold information meetings across Minnesota on Monday, October 8th to educate Minnesotans about how to become foster parents; and
- WHEREAS: Foster parents who open their hearts and homes to support children in crisis play a vital role in providing safe, strong foundations for children; and
- WHEREAS: Every child deserves a family, a place to belong, and to be loved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Monday, October 8, 2018, as:

FIND FOSTER 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 20th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE