Providing for Protection and Advocacy for People with Developmental Disabilities and Continuing the Assignment of Responsibilities to Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance, the Surviving Corporation of the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis; Rescinding Executive Order 99-08

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, provision of protection and advocacy to people with developmental disabilities is of concern and importance to the state; and

Whereas, 42 U.S.C. § 15041 et seq., provides for allotments to states for the purposes of the legal and human rights of persons with developmental disabilities and maintaining a protection and advocacy system with the authority to pursue legal, administrative and other appropriate remedies to ensure the protection of the rights of such persons who are receiving treatment, services or habilitation within the state and to provide information on and referral to programs and services addressing the needs of persons with developmental disabilities;

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance, as the surviving corporation of the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis, be designated the protection and advocacy system for people with developmental disabilities.
2. Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance shall pursue all types of administrative, legal and other appropriate remedies in order to carry out the requirement of 42 U.S.C. § 15041.

Under Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Executive Order is effective 15 days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with 4.035, subd. 3.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 30th day of May 2012.

Mark Dayton
Governor

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