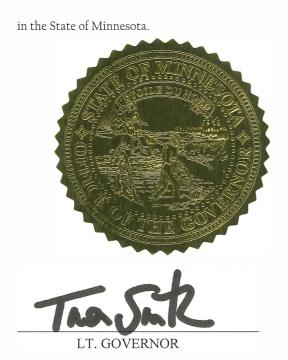


STATE of MINNESOTA

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WHEREAS:	Prince Rogers Nelson was born on June 7, 1958 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and
WHEREAS:	Prince's artistry, music, and brand showcase his outstanding contributions to music and the arts and entertainment industry; and
WHEREAS:	Prince was one of the best-selling recording artists of all-time; a prominent singer, writer and multi-instrumentalist, he went on to create revolutionary music and an iconic identity, which later inspired a movie, known as Purple Rain; and
WHEREAS:	Prince was a seven-time Grammy Award winner and the winner of a Golden Globe, an Oscar, and multiple American Music Awards and Minnesota Black Music Awards, ultimately securing himself a spot in the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. Prince was considered a music industry innovator, a mentor, and a humble philanthropist; and
WHEREAS:	Prince was the creator of "The Minneapolis Sound," a contribution not only to the global catalogue of music genres, but to Minnesota's worldwide prominence and its economic growth; and
WHEREAS:	The untimely passing of Prince on April 21, 2016 impacted millions and has been marked with tributes and celebrations of his life and music across the world; and
WHEREAS:	Prince Day commemorates the anniversary of his passing; and
WHEREAS:	Minnesotans are encouraged to wear purple on Prince Day in honor of The Purple One's enduring legacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 21, 2017, as:

## PRINCE DAY



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 18<sup>th</sup> day of April.

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