

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Paul Frederic Simon was born in Newark, New Jersey on October 13, 1941; and

WHEREAS: Simon's musical career spans seven decades, with his fame and success beginning in 1964

as half of the duo Simon & Garfunkel with Art Garfunkel; and

WHEREAS: Simon & Garfunkel had three songs reach number one on the U.S. singles charts: "The

Sound of Silence," "Mrs. Robinson," and "Bridge Over Troubled Water;" and

WHEREAS: Simon has won sixteen Grammy Awards for his solo and collaborative work, including

three for Album of the Year and a Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS: In 2001, Simon was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and in 2006 was

selected as one the "100 People Who Shaped the World" by Time Magazine; and

WHEREAS: In 2011, Rolling Stone named Simon one of the 100 Greatest Guitarists, and in 2015, one of

the 100 Greatest Songwriters of All Time; and

WHEREAS: Simon will perform on Friday, June 8, 2018 at Xcel Energy Center in Saint Paul,

Minnesota as part of his farewell concert tour; and

WHEREAS: Through his life and music, Paul Simon has inspired Minnesotans, and music fans around

the world.

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

## PAUL SIMON 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 6<sup>th</sup> day of June.

GOVERNOR