



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The Army Warrant Officer is part of a select and highly specialized cohort of the Army's officer corps comprising less than three percent of the total Army, and the Army Warrant Officer is a self-aware and adaptive technical expert, combat leader, trainer, advisor, and above all else, trusted professional; and
- WHEREAS: Warrant Officers are vital instruments of their command, commissioned as field leaders, entrusted as technical subject experts, serving as operators, maintainers, managers, integrators, and analysts of the Army's advanced systems, aircraft, and weapon platforms; and
- WHEREAS: Warrant Officers are integrators of emerging technologies, dynamic teachers, and confident warfighters, as well as developers of specialized teams of soldiers depended on to provide concise, expert solutions to complex and dynamic situations; and
- WHEREAS: The Governor, Minnesotans, and this nation can count on Army Warrant Officers to stand always ready to support commanders, staff, and soldiers with process and systems mastery, critical and creative thinking, and professional knowledge that prepares their formations for state, domestic, and global operations, whenever and wherever they are called upon; and
- WHEREAS: On July 9, 1918, the U.S. Army Mine Planter Service was established by an Act of Congress, and on July 22, 1918, this Act was published in War Department Bulletin 43, placing the Mine Planter Service under the U.S. Army Coast Artillery Corps, causing a total of 40 Warrant Officers to be subsequently authorized to serve as masters, mates, chief engineers, and assistant engineers on each mine planting vessel, making them the first U.S. Army Warrant Officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of July 2018 as:

## U.S. ARMY WARRANT OFFICER MONTH

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 29<sup>th</sup> day of June.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE