STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Men and women of our Armed Forces have been called to duty, and we must not forget the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made in defense of this great nation; and

WHEREAS: Military spouses and family members bear an enormous burden throughout military service, carrying the load of a loved one in harm's way, and conducting day-to-day duties in support of their family and service member; and

WHEREAS: Support of the Military is at an all-time high, with communities across Minnesota showing support for our troops with yellow ribbons, flags, and saying "thank you"; and

WHEREAS: The Saint Cloud VA Health Care System – Montevideo VA Clinic has gone above and beyond in building an enduring support network for service members, veterans, and their families, which will be in place long after the yellow ribbons are untied, and bringing great pride to the people of Minnesota and the United States; and

WHEREAS: Due to the efforts of the Saint Cloud VA Health Care System – Montevideo VA Clinic, service members, veterans, and their families enjoy peace of mind knowing they have the appreciation, love, and support of people in Minnesota and the nation; and

WHEREAS: The Yellow Ribbon Recognition Program pays tribute to organizations with an exceptional record of caring, commitment, and compassion for service members, veterans, and their families through various policies, procedures, and public works; and

WHEREAS: It is with this commitment to caring that the Saint Cloud VA Health Care System – Montevideo VA Clinic will serve with honor and distinction as a Yellow Ribbon Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the Saint Cloud VA Health Care System – Montevideo VA Clinic to be a:

YELLOW RIBBON COMPANY

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, 2018.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE