

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Credit unions are not-for-profit financial cooperatives, democratically owned

and operated, and founded by people working together toward economic

advancement; and

WHEREAS:

Credit unions embrace a "people-helping-people" philosophy through pooling of

personal resources and leadership abilities for the good of the cooperative, empowering members to improve their financial futures and uniting to help

those in need; and

WHEREAS:

Credit unions have demonstrated outstanding leadership throughout the

communities in which they serve since they were founded more than 150 years

ago; and

WHEREAS:

Credit unions have championed the idea that people from all walks of life should

have access to affordable financial services offered by credit unions; and

WHEREAS:

Credit unions empower people to improve their economic situations in 100 nations around the world at more than 51,000 credit unions that serve the financial needs of 196 million people, including 1.5 million Minnesotans associated through local, state, regional, and international organizations; and

WHEREAS:

Credit unions are developing strong alliances that make financial democracy

possible in many countries throughout the world.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 18, 2012 as:

CREDIT UNION 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 llth day of October.

GOVERNOR

Mark Ritchie

SECRETARY OF STATE