



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: February 2015 has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Minnesota Association of Career and Technical Administrators and the Minnesota Association of Career and Technical Education; and
- WHEREAS: Profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and
- WHEREAS: Career and technical education provides Americans with college and career readiness and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and
- WHEREAS: Career and technical education gives students practical, meaningful experience with skills such as reading, writing, and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating potential dropouts, and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and
- WHEREAS: Career and technical education offers individuals opportunities to learn new skills – providing them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and
- WHEREAS: The ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, at the secondary and post-secondary level, along with business and industry, are stimulating the growth and vitality of our local economies and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2015, as:

## CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION 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 26<sup>th</sup> of January.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE