



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Firefighter and Medic Shane Clifton, thirty-eight years of age, was an eight-year veteran of the Saint Paul Fire Department; and
- WHEREAS: Shane Clifton began his career with the US Navy stationed in Japan, with deployments in Afghanistan and Iraq. He also went on two humanitarian missions to Haiti after the 2010 earthquake; and
- WHEREAS: Shane served as a paramedic firefighter on the "A-Shift," and previously worked for Allina EMS Transportation and Unity Hospital in Fridley, Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Shane Clifton died on Monday, August 31, 2015, after a heart attack while on duty at Fire Station #14 in Saint Paul; and
- WHEREAS: Shane is preceded in death by grandparents, Louis & June Clifton, Howard & Darlene Whitney, and Clarence & Ella Higgins; uncles, Louis Clifton, Jr., Gary & Timothy Higgins and will be remembered and loved by his mother, Bonnie (Perry) Whitney; father, Mick (Carol) Higgins; daughters, Elise and her mother, Michelle Kitsmiller and Finley and her mother Katie Strauss; and many other relatives and friends, and community members; and
- WHEREAS: A celebration of Shane's life will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church in Saint Paul; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes Firefighter and Medic Shane Clifton for his dedicated service to, and sacrifice for, his fellow citizens of Minnesota with its deepest gratitude, and all thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and entire community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby order all United States flags and Minnesota flags be flown at half-staff at all state and federal buildings in the State of Minnesota, from sunrise until sunset, on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, in honor and remembrance of Firefighter and Medic Shane Clifton.



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 8th day of September.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Dayton".

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Pimon".

SECRETARY OF STATE