



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Hispanics first arrived and settled in Minnesota in the early 1900s, and through their love of family, hard work, and community have provided vitality and leadership to our state; and
- WHEREAS: Hispanics have helped the growth and prosperity of Minnesota by strengthening the economy as successful entrepreneurs, serving in the Armed Forces, and practicing good citizenship; and
- WHEREAS: Hispanics comprise the largest ethnic group in the United States and the fastest-growing community in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated nationally from September 15 through October 15, in honor of the achievements and contributions of Hispanic Americans to our country.

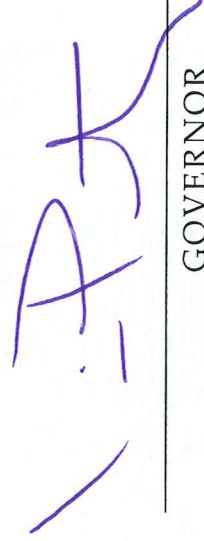
NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of September 15 through October 15, 2009, as:

HISPANIC HERITAGE 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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine, and of the State the one hundred fifty-first.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE