



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: After-school programs provide safe, friendly learning environments that enhance students' academic achievement; and
- WHEREAS: After-school programs promote valuable social and academic skills, thereby motivating, challenging, and inspiring children; and
- WHEREAS: After-school programs support working families by providing safe and productive activities after the regular school day ends; and
- WHEREAS: After-school programs build stronger communities by involving parents, business leaders, and adult volunteers in the lives of young people; and
- WHEREAS: After-school programs encourage families to become more active partners in their children's education; and
- WHEREAS: Guided by the principle that quality after-school programs help our children become successful adults, Minnesota has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education and well-being of our youth; and
- WHEREAS: *Lights On Afterschool* is a national event promoting quality after-school programs and celebrating their importance in the lives of children, their families, and their communities.

Now, therefore, I, Tim Pawlenty, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 10, 2010, to be:

LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL 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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the State the one hundred fifty-second.



GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE