



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: During times of national, state, and local emergencies, amateur radio operators have provided communication resources at no cost to Minnesota taxpayers; and
- WHEREAS: There continues to be a need for amateur radio operators to provide emergency communication capabilities as primary and backup resources during local, state, and national emergencies; and
- WHEREAS: Amateur radio clubs throughout Minnesota provide courses of instruction in the radio art and encourage and assist with grade school and high school programs about amateur radio. In the process they enhance student interest in science, geography, and physics, and provide an opportunity for students to become licensed amateur radio operators; and
- WHEREAS: Amateur radio operators participating in SKYWARN provide trained and radio-equipped severe weather spotters to assist the National Weather Service and the State of Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Amateur radio organizations, such as the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), are organized and trained in accordance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to provide effective emergency communication support; and
- WHEREAS: Amateur radio organizations provide communication support for community and public service events to help ensure the safety of attendees, participants, and observers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the days of June 23 and 24, 2007, as:

## AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR RECOGNITION DAYS

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 13th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the State the one hundred forty-ninth.

  
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GOVERNOR

*Mark Ritchie*

SECRETARY OF STATE