



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: For the past 25 years, Cora McCorvey has served as the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority's (MPHA) first and only executive director; and
- WHEREAS: Under Cora's leadership, the MPHA moved its low rent public housing program from a housing authority at risk of being labeled "troubled" to a United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) designated "High Performer" agency in 1997;
- WHEREAS: In 2007, MPHA achieved the same designation for its Section 8 program. MPHA has held these designations ever since; and
- WHEREAS: Cora brought leadership, accountability, and responsiveness to the operations of MPHA and transformed the Agency into one of the premier providers of quality, safe, decent, and affordable housing in the nation; and
- WHEREAS: MPHA has received numerous national, regional, and local awards and recognitions; established many firsts among public housing programs in the nation; has retained an occupancy rate of nearly 99 percent; and consistently maintains full utilization of its Section 8 voucher increment; and
- WHEREAS: Through her 25 year tenure as Executive Director, Cora has made a difference in the quality of life of tens of thousands of low-income individuals and families in the City of Minneapolis; and
- WHEREAS: Cora has demonstrated through her passion, values, and commitment, the qualities of outstanding public service, serving as a model to MPHA staff, residents, and others seeking to excel in service to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, January 26, 2017, as:

CORA MCCORVEY 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 23rd day of January.


GOVERNOR


LT. GOVERNOR