



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota Inclusive Higher Education Consortium is joining the National Coordinating Center, Think College, and designating May 15, 2022, as Inclusive Postsecondary Education Day; and

WHEREAS: Inclusive postsecondary education is college that includes people with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS: College students with and without an intellectual disability can go to college together. All students learn more academically and socially when taught together in inclusive classrooms; and

WHEREAS: Students with intellectual disabilities who attend inclusive postsecondary education are more likely to have competitive jobs after college; and

WHEREAS: Today, there are about 5,300 colleges and universities in the U.S., and just over 300 have options for students with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS: Today, there are nearly 200 colleges and universities in Minnesota, with enrollment capacity for less than 3% of college-age Minnesotans with an intellectual disability; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is committed to a postsecondary education attainment goal for 70% of Minnesota adults (age 25-44) to complete a postsecondary education certificate or degree; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota students, families, and educators join with universities, colleges, and communities around the country in celebrating Inclusive Postsecondary Education Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 15, 2022, as:

# INCLUSIVE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May.



GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE