STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies are unpaid volunteers who serve the people of the State of Minnesota by giving of their time to the communities where they reside or work; and

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies serve as non-licensed peace officers, acting as eyes and ears for law enforcement and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies assist police officers and deputy sheriffs, and are sometimes exposed to the same dangers faced by licensed peace officers on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies may be called upon 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, sometimes with little or no advance notice, to assist regular law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies are held to the same professional standards as licensed peace officers, and are expected to treat all people with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS: Reserve Officers and Deputies take time from their personal lives and families, giving their expertise and sometimes resources to serve their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 28, 2009, as:

POLICE RESERVE OFFICER 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 16th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine, and of the State the one hundred fiftieth.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE