
State of Iowa
Executive Department

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Iowans of Muslim faith embrace the noble spirit of the Hawkeye State and strive to promote the moral and spiritual aspirations that represent the American character; and

WHEREAS, The motto of the great state of Iowa "Our liberties we prize and our rights we will maintain," inspires Americans of Muslim faith, in our community, to articulate the responsibilities of patriotism, and encourages participation in the duties of citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Each Muslim-American who adheres to the teachings of Islam and is living in an American society will exhibit acts of compassion and charity in the name of the beneficent, the merciful; and

WHEREAS, Through the ages, those who have faith and do righteous deeds in the mutual teaching of truth, patience, and constancy, experience greater happiness and are better equipped to promote a peaceful existence for all people; and

WHEREAS, Americans of Muslim faith in Iowa continue to install health and vitality in the educational, cultural, economic, and civic development of our community; and


WHEREAS, Iowa recognizes the many individuals and families of Muslim faith who have chosen our community as their home, and willingly share their rich tradition and culture with us:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terry E. Branstad, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim April 8, 2015, as

MUSLIM RECOGNITION DAY

in Iowa.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HERE-
UNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED
THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO
BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 8th
DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN.


TERRY E. BRANSTAD
GOVERNOR OF IOWA



ATTEST:


PAUL D. PATE
SECRETARY OF STATE