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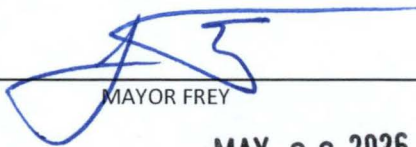
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RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Payne	X			
Osman				X
Chughtai	X			
Wonsley	X			
Rainville	X			
Vetaw	X			
Warren	X			
Shaffer	X			
Stevenson	X			
Chavez	X			
Whiting	X			
Chowdhury	X			
Palmisano	X			

MAYOR ACTION

APPROVED

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MAYOR FREY

MAY 26 2026

DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

Presented to Mayor: MAY 22 2026

Received from Mayor: MAY 26 2026

Recognizing June 2, 2026, as National Mississippi River Day in the city of Minneapolis.

Whereas, the Mississippi River is one of our nation's most iconic and vital waterways, spanning approximately 2,350 miles from Minnesota to Louisiana and uniting ten mainstem states and 32 tributary states in its watershed; and

Whereas, the Mississippi River has been deeply woven into the lives of Indigenous peoples for thousands of years, sustaining communities through nourishment, travel, and trade while also holding profound cultural, spiritual, and ancestral significance; and

Whereas, the Mississippi River serves as a critical source of drinking water for over 20 million Americans, a vital habitat for diverse fish and wildlife, and a powerful economic engine supporting commerce, agriculture, tourism, and recreation; and

Whereas, the River is the heart of a migratory flyway for 60% of North America's bird species, provides habitat for at least 260 fish species, and sustains numerous amphibians, reptiles, and mammals, making it one of the world's most important ecological corridors; and

Whereas, the health of the Mississippi River is under threat from pollution, habitat loss, climate change, and other environmental stressors, which impact the communities, economies, and ecosystems that depend on it; and

Whereas, protecting and restoring the Mississippi River requires collaboration across states, agencies, organizations, individuals, and communities to implement sustainable and regenerative conservation practices, restore wetlands and floodplains, and reduce agricultural and urban runoff to improve water quality; and

Whereas, the Mississippi River connects millions of people, reflecting our shared history, culture, and responsibility to ensure its vitality for future generations; and

Whereas, One Mississippi and its network of 78 organizations and 20,000 River Citizens invite everyone to take action—whether through conservation efforts, advocacy, or simply enjoying the River and building community—especially during the One Mississippi's River Days of Action (June 1-15), when people across the region come together to restore, celebrate, and advocate for a healthier River;.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the Mayor and City Council do hereby recognize June 2, 2026, as National Mississippi River Day and urge all people to celebrate, protect, and restore the Mississippi River and its watershed by participating in events, signing up as One Mississippi River Citizens, and taking action to safeguard this invaluable resource for generations to come.