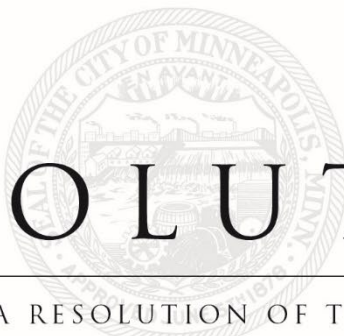




RESOLUTION

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS - A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

By: Warren, Payne, Wonsley, Rainville, Vetaw, Osman, Shaffer, Stevenson, Chavez, Chughtai, Whiting, Chowdhury, and Palmisano

RECOGNIZING JULY 6, 2026, AS “DAY OF COMPASSION IN RECOGNITION OF HIS HOLINESS THE 14TH DALAI LAMA’S 91 BIRTHDAY”

- Whereas: Tibetan Buddhists believe the Dalai Lamas are manifestations of Avalokiteshvara, the Bodhisattva of Compassion and spiritual leaders of Tibet; and
- Whereas: His Holiness was recognized as the reincarnation of the 13th Dalai Lama at an early age and devoted his life to the study and practice of Buddhist philosophy and the promotion of compassion, interfaith dialogue, and mutual respect; and
- Whereas: Following the invasion of Tibet by the People’s Republic of China in 1950 and the Tibetan Uprising of 1959, he fled into exile and has since worked to preserve the Tibetan people’s cultural, religious, and historical heritage; and
- Whereas: The Dalai Lama has traveled extensively throughout the world, including Minnesota, fostering greater understanding, tolerance, harmony, and compassion among people of all faiths and backgrounds; and
- Whereas: In 1989, His Holiness was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for advocating peaceful solutions based on tolerance and mutual respect; and
- Whereas: His teachings on secular ethics, compassion, and emotional resilience have influenced educators, spiritual practitioners, and leaders globally; and
- Whereas: Over 5,000 Tibetans now call Minnesota home, contributing to the social, cultural and economic fabric of our communities, by working in hospitals, operating small businesses in Minneapolis, and attending colleges and universities throughout the city; and
- Whereas: July 6, 2026, marks the 91st birthday of His Holiness the Dalai Lama;

—NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED—

That the Mayor and City Council do hereby recognize July 6, 2026, as “Day of Compassion in Recognition of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama’s 91st Birthday” in the City of Minneapolis, in recognition of his lifelong dedication to peace, compassion, and nonviolence.

Passed this the Twenty-Fifth Day of June 2026

Elliott Payne, President of the Council

Approved:

Jacob Frey, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Joe Carl, City Clerk