

PROGRESSIVE DOCUMENT

Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons the American People

- 1. The State of Minnesota has a considerable number of citizens who are restricted in opportunities for employment because of physical handicaps; and
- 2. Many of these citizens are veterans who suffered disabilities in service defense of the nation and we have a special obligation to assist them in obtaining the security and satisfaction of employment; and
- 3. There are other potential workers who have become physically impaired through accidents or other causes but are also fully able to perform many productive jobs; and
- 4. Those physically handicapped citizens are eager to prove their worth and have in numerous instances demonstrated that, in certain fields which utilize their particular capabilities, they actually do better than others; and
- 5. The state cannot afford to waste the valuable talents and capabilities which these handicapped people stand ready to offer, if only an opportunity be given them; and
- 6. We have a profound, immediate obligation to help the physically handicapped become independent, self-supporting and productive, in keeping with their own deepest hopes; and
- 7. Public Law 374, 75th Congress, provides that the first work in October of each year shall be designated as NATIONAL MONTH FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS, to be proclaimed by the President, with participation of other governmental and private agencies; and

WHEREAS, I, LUTHER W. YOUNGDAHL, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of October 5 to 11, 1947, as

NATIONAL MONTH FOR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS

and call upon all public officials, employers, labor organizations, civic groups and all other citizens to join in this program to help give employment to our physically handicapped.

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 in St. Paul this 25th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven and of the state the sixtieth.

Luther W. Youngdahl

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