

STATE OF MINNESOTA

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, mental retardation is a major social, economic, and health problem in the United States today, and the President of the United States has called for forceful and far-reaching action to combat mental retardation; and

WHEREAS, in Minnesota alone there are more than 100,000 retarded children and adults who need increased opportunities to achieve useful, satisfying lives and there is a vital need for intensive research to uncover causes of, and means of preventing, mental retardation; and

WHEREAS, from November 3-30 funds will be sought for these programs by the Minnesota Association for Retarded Children and its local chapters throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the success of this appeal will substantially benefit the health and strength of our citizens and will help end the long neglect of the mentally retarded;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karl F. Solvaaq, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of November as

"RETARDED CHILDREN'S MONTH"

in Minnesota and urge that the citizens of this state give full support to this effort in behalf of the mentally retarded and their families.

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 fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, and of the State the one hundred sixth,

Karl F. Solvaaq
GOVERNOR

Joseph L. Cannon
SECRETARY OF STATE