

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, each individual, whether handicapped or of normal capacity, has the basic human right to remain with his family and in his own community whenever possible and to share in all of the daily life events with all other members of the family and community; and
- WHEREAS, the Minnesota Day Activity Center program was created out of concern for the welfare of mentally retarded persons who cannot participate fully in many existing community services and activities; and
- WHEREAS, this program has been fostered and given strength by the people of Minnesota, by the State Legislature, and through the special concern of the Minnesota Association for Retarded Children and the Minnesota Day Activity Directors Association; and
- WHEREAS, more than 1,000 mentally retarded children and adults are now receiving the benefits of the guidance and special activities of this program in 66 Day Activity Centers located in 45 Minnesota counties; and
- WHEREAS, this program is effectively contributing to a greater Quality of Life for Minnesota citizens
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold LeVander, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 14, 1968 as

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in Minnesota and urge all citizens to join in recognizing our continuing responsibilities to all mentally retarded persons and to rededicate our efforts to their continued welfare during this special observance honoring the Daytime Activity Centers of this state and those dedicated volunteers and staff involved in this program admirably demonstrating the desired degree of human concern.

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 seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight, and of the State, the one hundred eleventh.

Harold LeVander
GOVERNOR

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