



# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: *one of the hallmarks of a truly civilized nation is the efforts it makes on behalf of its handicapped citizens; and*
- WHEREAS: *communication is the cohesive force in every human culture and a dominant influence in the personal life of every one of us; and more than 10 percent of all children and adults in the United States have speech, language or hearing impairments so severe that their educational, vocational, personal, and social functioning are adversely affected; and*
- WHEREAS: *members of the speech pathology and audiology profession strive to restore or improve communicative competence so that those with speech, language, or hearing disorders can regain and maintain a meaningful and productive place in our society; and*
- WHEREAS: *the State of Minnesota is aware of and grateful for the high level of speech pathology and audiology services available to communicatively handicapped persons in public schools, rehabilitation centers, hospitals, speech and hearing clinics, and private practice;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May, 1976 as

## BETTER HEARING AND SPEECH MONTH

*in Minnesota and I commend and endorse the humanitarian and rehabilitative services rendered by speech pathologists and audiologists throughout the State to our communicatively impaired citizens.*

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 thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-six and of the State the one hundred eighteenth.

*Wendell R. Anderson*

GOVERNOR

*Jan Anderson-Krass*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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