

# Proclamation

WHEREAS: one of the hallmarks of a truly civilized nation is the effort 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 ten 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, educational, medical and audiology professions and providers of support services 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

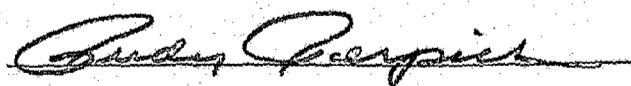
WHEREAS: the State of Minnesota is aware of and grateful for the high level of services available to communicatively handicapped persons in public schools, rehabilitative centers, hospitals, speech and hearing clinics and private practice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1978 to be

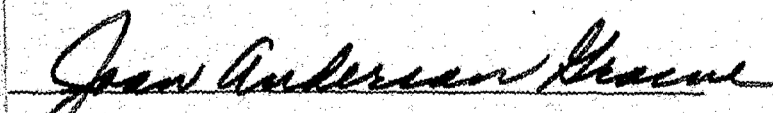
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in Minnesota, and I commend and endorse the humanitarian and rehabilitative services rendered throughout the state to our communicatively impaired citizens.

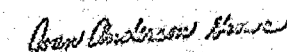
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight and of the State the one hundred twentieth.



GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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