

WHEREAS: Minnesota is home to thousands of foster children, of all ages, races é socio-economic origins; and

WHEREAS: If not for their foster homes, these children would be deprived of $t$ stable, supportive environment that is essential to their personal grow and adjustment; and

WHEREAS: Foster parents throughout our state play a critical role in the lives these children, helping impart them with useful values and goals, providi helpful guidance, and orienting them to the community and the world; $f$

WHEREAS: Beyond the emotional needs of foster children are physical needs, includj food, clothing, medical and dental care, and education, which tax t resources of the foster parents as well as community social agencies;

WHEREAS: Heightened public understanding of the unique needs of foster children the multi-faceted challenge that faces the foster parent and associat community agencies will contribute not only to the greater welfare foster children, but also to the well-being of every citizen in our stat

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do her proclaim the month of April, 1979, to be

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in Minnesota, and encourage government officials, voluntary agencies, other group and all citizens to give special attention to the needs of foster children not of in April, but throughout the year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto my hand and caused the Great Seal of State of Minnesota to be affixed at State Capitol this twenty - sixth day April in the year of our Lord one the sand nine hundred seventy-nine, and the State the one hundred twenty - fir:


GOVERNOR

