



Proclamation

WHEREAS: MINNESOTA IS HOME TO THOUSANDS OF FOSTER CHILDREN OF ALL AGES, RACES AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC ORIGINS; AND

WHEREAS: IF NOT FOR THEIR FOSTER HOMES, THESE CHILDREN WOULD BE DEPRIVED OF THE STABLE, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO THEIR PERSONAL GROWTH AND ADJUSTMENT; AND

WHEREAS: FOSTER PARENTS THROUGHOUT OUR STATE PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN THE LIVES OF THESE CHILDREN, HELPING IMPART THEM WITH VALUES AND GOALS PROVIDING HELPFUL GUIDANCE, AND ORIENTING THEM TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD; AND

WHEREAS: BEYOND THE EMOTIONAL NEEDS OF FOSTER CHILDREN ARE PHYSICAL NEEDS, INCLUDING FOOD, CLOTHING, MEDICAL CARE, AND EDUCATION WHICH TAX THE RESOURCES OF THE FOSTER PARENT AS WELL AS COMMUNITY SOCIAL AGENCIES; AND

WHEREAS: HEIGHTENED PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF FOSTER CHILDREN AND THE MULTI-FACETED CHALLENGES THAT FACE THE FOSTER PARENT AND ASSOCIATE COMMUNITY AGENCIES WILL CONTRIBUTE NOT ONLY TO THE GREATER WELFARE OF FOSTER CHILDREN, BUT ALSO TO THE WELL-BEING OF EVERY CITIZEN IN OUR STATE;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1980 TO BE

ACTION FOR FOSTER CHILDREN MONTH

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. I FURTHER URGE ALL CITIZENS TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS OF FOSTER CHILDREN NOT ONLY IN APRIL, BUT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO BE AFFIXED AT THE STATE CAPITOL THIS FIRST DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY, AND OF THE STATE THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SECOND.

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