



# Proclamation

WHEREAS: THE MINNESOTA COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN IS AN ORGANIZATION OF PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS CONCERNED WITH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES OF MINNESOTANS IN GENERAL AND EXCEPTIONAL MINNESOTANS SPECIFICALLY; AND

WHEREAS: THE CONTINUOUS EFFORT IN MINNESOTA FOR DECADES TO OBTAIN APPROPRIATE SERVICES FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN HAS RESULTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEGISLATION, POLICIES, AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS TO FACILITATE AND GUARANTEE THAT EACH EXCEPTIONAL CHILD RECEIVES THE SERVICES THAT HE/SHE REQUIRES; AND

WHEREAS: CONCERN FOR THE WHOLENESS OF THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS AFFECTING EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN HAS YIELDED PROCEDURES INVOLVING CHILDREN AND PARENTS OR GUARDIANS IN THAT PROCESS; AND

WHEREAS: THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN MINNESOTA INVITES A CONSTANTLY GROWING POPULATION, THE NEED FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION, ATTITUDE AND IDEA DISSEMINATION, AND ADVOCACY WITHIN LOCAL COMMUNITIES REMAINS A CRITICAL AND VIABLE MECHANISM FOR MAINTAINING OUR RATE OF PROGRESS IN DEVELOPING A STATE WITH APPROPRIATE LIFE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS: THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 77,000 EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN IN MINNESOTA WHO MUST BE ASSURED OF APPROPRIATE LIFE OPPORTUNITIES;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT H. QUIE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY, 1982 TO BE

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH

AND MAY 15, 1982 TO BE

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME. FURTHER, I URGE CITIZENS TO HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS EXCEPTIONALITY IMPACTS THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
FILED  
APR 28 1982

Secretary of State

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