



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The attitudes of society are influenced by limited understanding and limited contact with deaf and otherwise hearing impaired persons; and
- WHEREAS: Hearing impairment, though not visible, is always a serious communication handicap, and especially when it occurs at a prelingual age; and
- WHEREAS: These attitudinal and communication circumstances accompanying hearing impairment are barriers to human relationships and full participation in community services and activities shared routinely by society in general;
- WHEREAS: Through the efforts of Quota Clubs, these attitudinal and communication barriers are being steadily reduced;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 22, 1983 to be

SHATTER SILENCE WEEK

in Minnesota.

Further, I urge that meaningful observance of this week be made by seeking to learn from hearing impaired persons and those who work with them what services are needed; by educating the public about services presently available to hearing impaired persons; by promoting the accessibility of all community services; and by increasing public awareness about the capabilities and potentials of hearing impaired persons in order that all such persons may enjoy the fruits of full citizenship.

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Rudy Perpich
Joan Anderson Browe

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 May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three, and of the State the one hundred twenty-fifth.