



## Proclamation

WHEREAS: Mental retardation affects almost six million children and adults in the United States, and about 120,000 in Minnesota, as well as their families and friends; and

WHEREAS: During the month of March, The Association for Retarded Citizens will be conducting public awareness and membership programs throughout Minnesota; and

WHEREAS: For persons with mental retardation, public understanding is the key to full participation in society;

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

MENTAL RETARDATION AWARENESS MONTH

in Minnesota.

FURTHER, I urge the help of citizens of this state to join with me in giving full support of efforts to help our mentally retarded citizens enjoy a self-sufficient way of life.

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*Joan Anderson Howe*  
Secretary of State

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 fourth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-six, and of the State the one hundred twenty-seventh.

*Rudy Perpich*  
GOVERNOR

*Joan Anderson Howe*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

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