

Proclamation

Communicative disorders, including hearing loss, speech impairments and related language deficiencies, constitute our nation's largest handicap, affecting over WHEREAS:

22,000,000 people nationally; and

WHEREAS: Most people suffering such impairments can be helped through medical treatment,

surgery, hearing aids, or appropriate therapy and must be made aware of the help available; and

The leading national and regional organizations concerned with hearing, speech and language problems have joined together in a common effort to promote public awareness through an intensive annual effort; and WHEREAS:

WHEREAS: Such an effort will help encourage and stimulate early detection of communicative

disorders, proper prevention and treatment, and greater public understanding of hearing, speech and language impairments;

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

BETTER HEARING AND SPEECH MONTH

in Minnesota.

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 twentieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven, and of the State the

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE

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