



Proclamation

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

WHEREAS: 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: 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, 1989 to be

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in Minnesota, and urge all citizens to learn more about communicative disorders and to join in this common effort to create a more enlightened public attitude and response to this challenge.

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 twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the State the one hundred thirtieth.

Rudy Perpich
GOVERNOR
STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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