

## **Proclamation**

The World Federation of the Deaf is an international organization composed of seventy national associations of the deaf which, in collaboration with the United Nations (UNESCO, World Health Organization and International Labor office), serves all WHEREAS:

countries in the enhancement of the social, economic and cultural lives of hearing impaired people; and

The World Federation of the Deaf has in the past thirty-six years provided leadership at the international level in medicine and audiology, psychology of deafness, educational development and innovation, vocational rehabilitation, communications methodology, personal and social welfare, art and culture, parent education, and religious activities; and WHEREAS:

The National Association of the Deaf (NAD) and the Minnesota Association of Deaf Citizens, Inc., (MADC) will participate as an integral part of the Deaf World Week celebration of the World Federation of the Deaf; and WHEREAS:

Representatives from a wide area of leadership in the United States of America serving hearing impaired populations throughout the world will be observing this significant event in recognition of the contributions geared to the needs of hearing impaired people throughout the country; and WHEREAS:

The State of Minnesota offers its wholehearted welcome and best wishes to all participants for a renewed spirit of togetherness tempered by intensified commitment to a quality life for the entire hearing impaired population of the nation; WHEREAS:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rudy Perpich, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim September 24-30, 1989 to be

NATIONAL DEAF AWARENESS WEEK

in Minnesota, and I invite all of our citizens to join me in the observance of this week-long occasion.

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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 eighteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine, and of the State the one hundred thirty-first.

> STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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