

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** *Entire communities can effect positive change with any volunteer action no matter how big or small; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through state and community service organizations like ServeNebraska – the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, United Way of the Midlands' Volunteer Resource Center in Omaha, Volunteer Partners in Lincoln and the Connect Columbus Volunteer Center; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Throughout the nation, millions of volunteers commit their time, skills and resources every day to make real differences in the lives of children, adults and the elderly, in arts and recreation, education, health services and the environment; and*
- WHEREAS,** *During this week, all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment of service; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Citizens across Nebraska from all backgrounds and abilities are able to contribute; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of the nation's social problems; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation; and*
- NOW, THEREFORE,** *I, Dave Heineman, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of April 19 - 25, 2009, as*

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to volunteer and "Celebrate People in Action" in their communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Nine.



Attest:

Jan D. Lee
Secretary of State

Dave Heineman
Governor