

STATE of MINNESOTA



Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Character Counts! is a nationwide nonpartisan and nonsectarian initiative to strengthen the character of our next generation; and
- WHEREAS: Good character is based on six positive values: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship; and
- WHEREAS: By displaying these "Six Pillars of Character" in their daily lives, Minnesota's youth will contribute significantly to the future strength of our state; and
- WHEREAS: Every citizen has a responsibility to serve as a positive role model to help our young people grow in character; and
- WHEREAS: A statewide Character Counts! Initiative, in partnership with Minnesota communities, schools, organizations and individual citizens, will reemphasize the importance of our shared values and help to expand character development activities;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ARNE H. CARLSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 18 - 24, 1998 to be

Character Counts! Week

in Minnesota.



Joan A. Grome
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 eighteenth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight, and of the State the one hundred fortieth.

Arne H. Carlson
GOVERNOR

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