

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the entire community 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 hundreds of community service organizations like Volunteer Centers; and

WHEREAS, millions of volunteers working in their communities utilize their time and talent daily to make a real difference in the lives of children, adults and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, during this week, all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment to service

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 our nation's social problems; and

WHEREAS, our country's volunteer force of over 64 million people is a great treasure; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **(NAME/TITLE)** do hereby proclaim

April 23-29, 2006

As

National Volunteer Week

In **(CITY/STATE)**, and urge my fellow citizens to volunteer and "light the way" in their communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.

Signed this **(DATE)** day of **(MONTH)**, 2006

This proclamation was created by the Points of Light Foundation & Volunteer Center National Network and is to be used as declaration or announcement of the National Volunteer Week that is going on in your area.

