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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, disabled persons have made significant contributions to the benefit of mankind; and

WHEREAS, California has been a leader in its commitment to individuals with disabilities through initiatives such as prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, mandating goals and timetables for the employment of disabled persons in State Government, providing programs designed to develop independent living skills and enforcing regulations to ensure accessibility to public buildings; and

WHEREAS, Californians have actively participated in the promotion of 1981 as the United Nations sponsored International Year of Disabled Persons; and

WHEREAS, many International Year of Disabled Persons activities and related publicity have generated positive awareness of disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the climate for public acceptance of disability areas has continued to grow; and

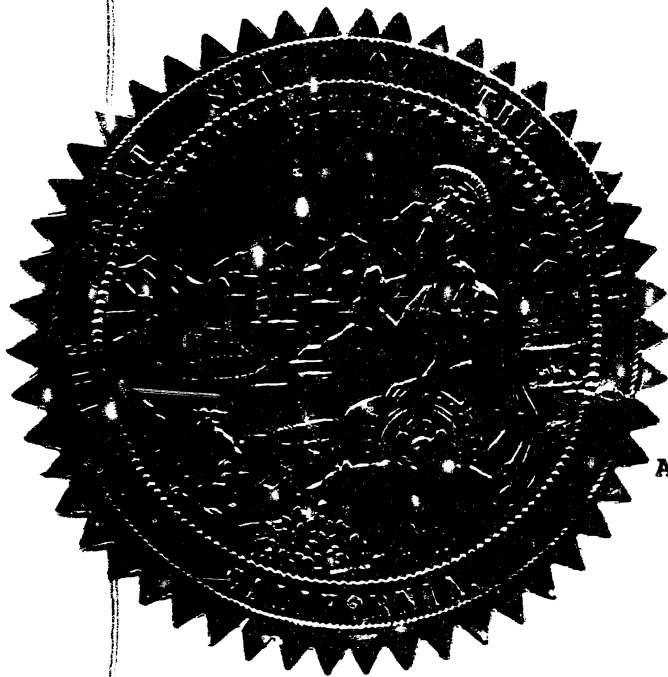
WHEREAS, full participation in today's society by disabled persons can only be achieved by educating the public about the abilities of persons with disabilities and their potential for independence and self-sufficiency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor of the State of California, do hereby resolve and proclaim:

1. That the State of California observe 1982 as the California Year of Disabled Persons to continue the goals and objectives of 1981-International Year of Disabled Persons.
2. That the citizens of our state are urged to further develop partnerships between the private sector and public organizations to promote employment and independent living of persons with disabilities in the community.

3. That these partnerships continue efforts in reducing barriers toward persons with disabilities.
4. That efforts continue in the communication of abilities and talent of persons with disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of January, 1982.



Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of California

ATTEST:

March Fong Eu
Secretary of State

by *Anthony K. Falls*
Deputy Secretary of State