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PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS, 1981 has been designated as the International Year of Disabled Persons by the United Nations General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the theme of the International Year of Disabled Persons is "full participation and equality"; 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, significant challenges remain to ensure the availability of education, to promote the employment of the handicapped, and to enhance independent living.

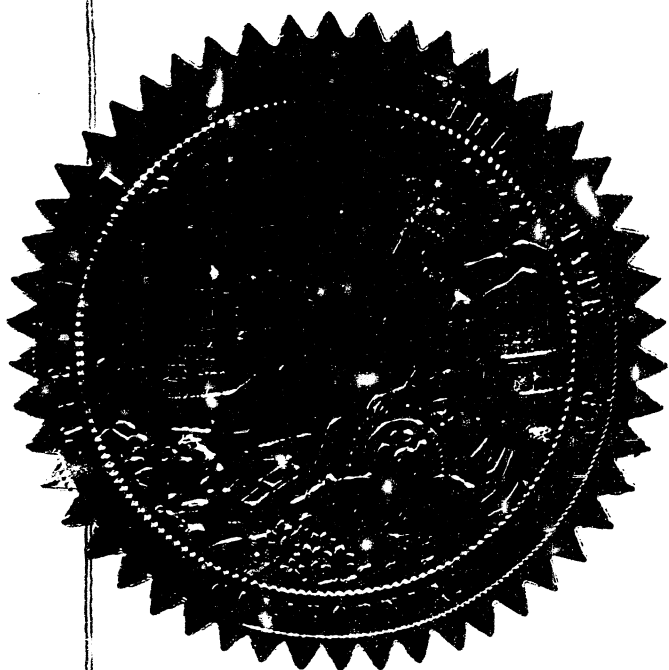
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor of the State of California, do hereby resolve and proclaim:

1. That the State of California endorses and pledges to further the goals and objectives of 1981 as the International Year of Disabled Persons.
2. That the citizens of our State are urged to participate in the observances of this year to be held throughout the State in the months to come.
3. That the government and citizens of California renew their commitment in their efforts to prevent disabilities and to provide the opportunity for people with disabilities to fully

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participate and contribute in all areas of
society.



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, 1981.

Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
Governor of California

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Secretary of State

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