

July, 12, 2010



Governor Jennifer Granholm  
Office of the Governor  
P.O. Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Jennifer Granholm,

The Caring Neighbor Foundation (CNF) would like to thank you for proclaiming a special MICHIGAN CARING NEIGHBOR DAY on the last Sunday of September. On numerous occasions you have pointed out that Michigan needs to be reinvented to remain a leader in a changing global economy. For Michigan to regain world leadership, it needs to not only find value in the goods it produces but also in the value of each citizen.

Your proclamation underscores the primacy of valuing our fellow citizens over goods, and is a fitting legacy of your administration as you leave office. As modern technology rapidly shrinks the world, it is becoming increasingly evident that what happens to one citizen happens to all. A special day to become more conscious and caring of our neighbor is a practical reminder that we rise or fall together.

The CNF is a Michigan foundation and as the CNF develops over the years it will proudly point to Michigan as being the first among the states to recognize that caring about neighbor not only lays the groundwork for prosperity in the state but also leads the way to a more peaceful and prosperous world in the next generation.

We thank you for your leadership in the darkest days of Michigan's history and are grateful for the vision you leave behind.

Sincerely,

Caring Neighbors of Michigan,

Richard Currier, Exec. Director CNF

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