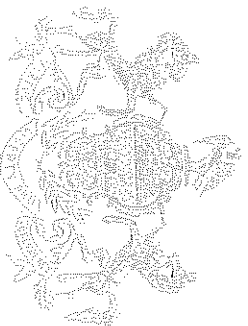


*Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*



**Governor's Office**

PROCLAMATION

*Eunice Kennedy Shriver Day  
September 25, 2010*

*WHEREAS, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, founder of the Special Olympics movement and long-time supporter of Best Buddies, was the leading international advocate for the rights of people with intellectual disabilities; and*

*WHEREAS, What started as an inclusive sports camp in her backyard in the early 1960's has blossomed into a worldwide movement transforming lives in over 170 countries; and*

*WHEREAS, Eunice Kennedy Shriver demonstrated an unwavering indomitable spirit in actions that one person could make a difference and change the world; and*

*WHEREAS, Eunice Kennedy Shriver's actions helped open the minds of all people to the gifts and talents of individuals with intellectual disabilities; and*

*WHEREAS, Eunice Kennedy Shriver spent her entire career working on behalf of those less fortunate, taking on the most challenging social problems and giving hope to thousands of individuals with disabilities; and*

*WHEREAS, Pennsylvania will participate in the first annual Global Eunice Kennedy Shriver Day, an annual celebration of her life and a global call to action for people to commit actions of inclusion, acceptance and unity for and with people with intellectual disability.*

*THEREFORE, I, Edward G. Rendell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim September 25, 2010 as EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER DAY in Pennsylvania, and encourage all Pennsylvanians to participate with their local Special Olympics program.*

*GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this first day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and thirty-fifth.*

*Edward G. Rendell*  
**EDWARD G. RENDELL**  
Governor

