

STATE OF MICHIGAN



Executive
Office

Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm,
do hereby proclaim the week of November 16, 2009,

International Education Week

Whereas, The U. S. Department of State and the U. S. Department of Education have declared the week of November 16, 2009, International Education Week in observance of the many important contributions international education brings to our nation's peace and prosperity; and,

Whereas, There are thousands of international education and exchange programs offered both publically and privately, as well as campus-based and national, which promote sharing of ideas and experiences across borders; and,

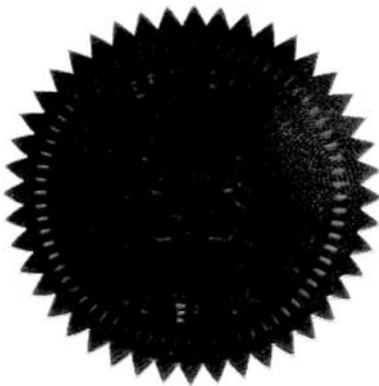
Whereas, These programs include study abroad, citizens and scholarly exchanges, foreign students on United States' campuses, area and foreign language studies, and global approaches to United States education; and,

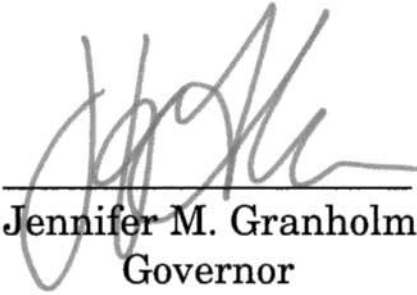
Whereas, By participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other cultures and are more prepared for a global environment; and,

Whereas, We live in an increasingly interconnected world, and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security; and,

Whereas, Through international education, the United States can establish a foundation for dialogue and partnership with the rest of the world and create the conditions for lasting global peace, security and well-being;

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, governor of the state of Michigan, do hereby proclaim the week of November 16, 2009, International Education Week in Michigan. I call upon the citizens of this state to participate in celebrating this week and to recognize the importance of international education in our lives and communities.




Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor