



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Research shows that vision disorders are the number one handicapping condition of children. As many as one in four school age children have vision problems that can interfere with learning; and

WHEREAS, 18 million children will not have an eye examination by an eye doctor by the time they enter school; and

WHEREAS, Undiagnosed and untreated vision-related learning problems are significant contributors to early reading difficulties and can to special education classification; and

WHEREAS, All children deserve the opportunity to learn and to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama recognizes the importance of education in the lives of its children, and encourages parents to have their children screened for vision problems in order to maximize their potential in the classroom:


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim August 2010, as

Children's Vision and Learning Month

in the State of Alabama.



*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the
Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the
City of Montgomery on the 27th day of July 2010.*



Governor Bob Riley