

# Governor's Proclamation



**WHEREAS**, vision problems impact millions of American children;

**WHEREAS**, current research indicates that one quarter of school-age children have vision problems; and

**WHEREAS**, sixty percent of students identified as "problem learners" have vision problems that are undetected; and

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

**WHEREAS**, appropriate diagnosis and intervention can lead to profound positive results; and

**WHEREAS**, a study conducted at the State University of New York found that when children with previously undiagnosed vision problems were treated, they were able to improve their reading ability two grade levels in just six months;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVE FREUDENTHAL**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim August 2009 as

## "CHILDREN'S VISION AND LEARNING MONTH"

in Wyoming, and urge citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.



*Dave Freudenthal*

Governor