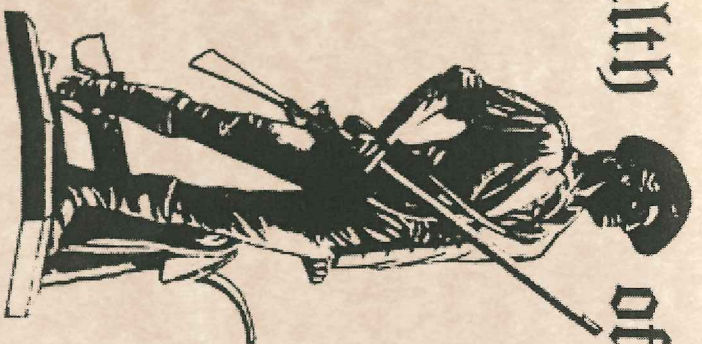


# Commonwealth of Massachusetts



## A Proclamation

This Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

**Whereas** Children services organizations are responsible for providing quality care to children and their families in their local community settings; and

**Whereas** These settings range from residential programs to in-home therapy as children's services organizations are on the front lines in providing support, counseling and education to our most vulnerable population, our children; and

**Whereas** Children services organizations work 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days of the year to protect and care for the children of the Commonwealth and often receive little fanfare or recognition for their invaluable work and commitment to our youngest residents; and

**Whereas** It is appropriate for the residents of the Commonwealth to recognize the important contributions of children's services organizations in the community, and their efforts to provide outstanding services that allow children and families to thrive in their home communities,

**Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick**, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim October 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to be,

## CHILDREN SERVICES APPRECIATION WEEK

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this twelfth day of October, in the year two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-sixth.

By His Excellency

DEVAL L. PATRICK  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH



God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts