

National Environmental Education Week
April 12-18, 2009
SAMPLE PROCLAMATION

- Whereas: Environmental education will increase dramatically by the creation of a full week of educational preparation in K-12 classrooms, university campuses, and informal settings such as nature centers, zoos, aquariums, and museums; and
- Whereas: Collaborative efforts will increase the amount of environmental education taking place in America's classrooms prior to Earth Day while drawing educator attention to the larger opportunities and value of environmental education for both year long education and environmental stewardship; and
- Whereas: Environmental education bolsters core environmental literacy in our K-12 students by featuring grade-appropriate environmental literacy goals and content standards; and
- Whereas: Environmental education will encourage schools to partner with local museums, nature centers, zoos, science centers, aquariums, and local parks; and
- Whereas: The professional environmental education community will have an opportunity to annually feature its accomplishments with the nation's educational leaders; and
- Whereas: National Environmental Education Week, coordinated by the National Environmental Education Foundation in cooperation with hundreds of outstanding environmental education organizations, education associations, and agencies will become an annually anticipated event for local participation in schools and various education centers in **{name of city or state}**.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **{Mayor or Governor}** of the **{city or state}** of **{name of city or state}** do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2009 as Environmental Education Week and call upon the people of **{name of city or state}** to recognize and participate in this special observance.