



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RICHARD M. DALEY
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Environmental Education Foundation is a nonprofit organization committed to the strategic advancement of environmental literacy and education; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, the National Environmental Education Foundation, in coordination with local, state, and national organizations, has organized National Environmental Education (EE) Week; and

WHEREAS, EE Week will increase environmental education through 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, in 2008, EE Week partnered with 1,850 organizations and engaged approximately 4 million students; and

WHEREAS, the National Environmental Education Foundation's goal is to reach over 2,200 partners and the 4.5 million students during EE Week in 2009; and

WHEREAS, collaborative efforts will draw attention to the larger opportunities and value of environmental education for both year long education and environmental stewardship:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD M. DALEY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2009 to be NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK IN CHICAGO, and urge all Chicagoans to be aware of the events planned for this time.

Dated this 26th day of February, 2009.


Mayor