



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the national Head Start program was launched in 1965 to help low-income families provide their children with developmentally appropriate education, health care and social services to prepare them to achieve in school and society; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by the Head Start program promote academic, social and emotional development; and

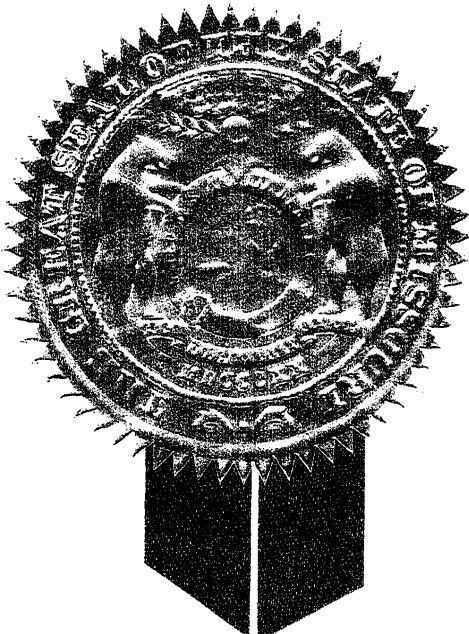
WHEREAS, more than 21,000 Missouri children are enrolled in Head Start and Early Head Start programs, serving more than 19,000 families; and

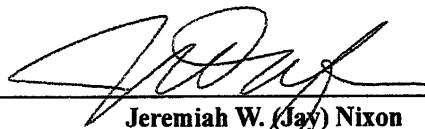
WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the efforts of the members of the Missouri Head Start Association and honor their commitment to improving the lives of Missouri's children.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2011 to be

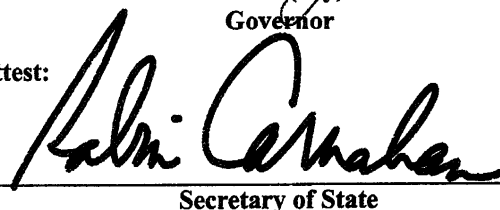
HEAD START AWARENESS MONTH IN MISSOURI

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 6th day of October, 2011.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State