

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

PROCLAMATION

Executive Order

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** Women of every race, class, and ethnicity have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of the State of Indiana and have played a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of life by constituting a significant portion of the labor force inside and outside of the home and as indispensable volunteers for charitable, philanthropic and cultural institutions; and
- WHEREAS,** The mission of the Indiana Commission for Women is to understand the needs of Indiana women and their families, and to work strategically both within government and in our communities to help bring about positive solutions; and
- WHEREAS,** The Indiana Commission for Women is committed to the full participation of women in all aspects of society in order to make Indiana a better place to live, work and raise a family, by removing barriers that hinder their participation, increasing awareness of the status of women and the issues they face and by recognizing and promoting the contributions that Hoosier women make to their community, State and Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** The 2010 Torchbearer Awards honors the outstanding achievements of extraordinary women to their communities and to the State of Indiana, having led the way for other women as role models who have faced tough choices, demonstrated character and provided inspirational stories; and
- WHEREAS,** It is appropriate to set aside a time in which to recognize the important role all women have played throughout our nation's history and renew our commitment to ensuring women's voices are heard and they play a critical role in resolving the challenges they face;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim March, 2010 as

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 25th
day of February in the year of our
Lord 2010 and of the Independence
of the United States 233.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

M E Daniels, Jr.