



GOVERNOR

Bobby Jindal

Proclamation

WHEREAS, service-learning is a valuable teaching methodology that addresses the long-term goals of quality student academic achievement, workforce readiness, safe and secure learning environments, and a strengthened democracy and civil society; and

WHEREAS, student participants are led by their teachers and provided support by community partners interested in the academic achievement of these students and the betterment of their communities; and

WHEREAS, service-learning provides students exposure to critical community needs and challenges them to use critical thinking and problem solving skills to seek solutions to those issues; and

WHEREAS, service-learning integrates service activities with academic curricula and provides students with hands-on, real-life learning opportunities; and

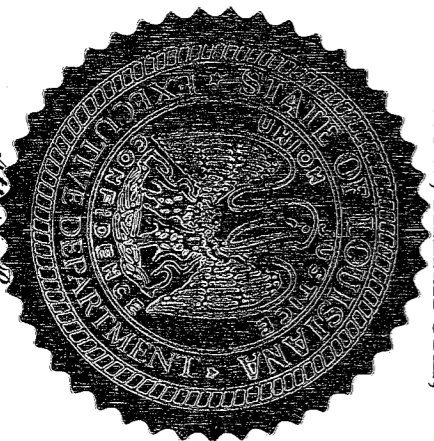
WHEREAS, research has shown that service-learning has an enduring positive impact on students' academic achievement, personal and social development, and civic engagement, particularly among students from disadvantaged backgrounds, and that the historically high level of volunteering demonstrated by America's youth has been attributed in part to the growth of service-learning in our state's educational institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service will commit over \$1 million to support Louisiana service-learning programs this year; and

WHEREAS, Learn and Serve Challenge Week is an opportune time to recognize the more than 13,000 K-12 school-based and higher education student participants, their teachers, and community partners making a difference in the lives of others by conducting programs that address educational needs, community improvements, health and human needs, public safety and conflict resolution, and disaster preparedness and recovery efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 6-12, 2008 as

LEARN AND SERVE CHALLENGE WEEK
in the State of Louisiana.



*Witness My
Hand*
The Governor

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capital, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 6th day of October
A. D., 2008*

Bobby Jindal
Governor of Louisiana

Gay V. Bruner
Secretary of State