



WHEREAS thirty six years of research confirms the benefits of high quality child care for young children’s intellectual, emotional, social and physical development and later life outcomes;

AND WHEREAS child care promotes the well-being of children and responds to the needs of parents, child care workers and the broader community by supporting quality of life so that citizens can fully participate in and contribute to the economic and social life of their community;

AND WHEREAS recent studies clearly show trained and knowledgeable Early Childhood Educators and child care workers are the most important element in quality child care, and further that good wages and working conditions are associated with higher job satisfaction and morals, lower staff turnover all of which predict higher quality care;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that October 21, 2009 be designated the 9th annual “Child Care Workers & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day” in recognition of the influence, dedication and commitment of child workers to children, their families and quality of life of the community.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

MAYOR RICK DUMAS