

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY

October 19, 2006

WHEREAS, Conflict resolution encompasses mediation, arbitration, facilitation, conciliation, collaborative decision-making, and other formal responses to conflict; and

WHEREAS, conflict resolution processes empower individuals, families, communities, organizations, businesses, and nations to foster communication and devise solutions that are tailored to their particular needs and interests; and

WHEREAS, conflict resolution is being taught and practiced by children and adults of all ages in many school systems, colleges, universities, and graduate programs throughout the world, not only as a way of solving individual disputes, but also as a means toward a more peaceful society; and

WHEREAS, community-based programs are fairly and equitably resolving neighborhood and community conflicts, thereby strengthening community relationships; and

WHEREAS, collaborative responses to conflicts are being used by administrative agencies, businesses, and courts to effectively and efficiently resolve disputes; and

WHEREAS, professional associations of conflict resolvers are promoting the peaceful and creative resolution of disputes; and

WHEREAS, Conflict Resolution Day helps to promote awareness of mediation, arbitration, conciliation, and other creative, peaceful means of resolving conflict in schools, families, businesses, communities, governments, and the legal system.

THEREFORE, In recognition of the significant contributions of peaceful conflict resolvers, I, Edward G. Rendell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim October 19, 2006 as CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this twenty-seventh day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and six, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and thirty-first.

Edward G. Rendell

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor