

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, gymnastics is a great way to engage Illinois children in healthy activities while teaching them valuable personal and social skills such as teamwork, commitment, and sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, USA Gymnastics, whose mission it is to encourage participation and the pursuit of excellence in sports, established National Gymnastics Day in 1999 to promote physical fitness and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, in support of National Gymnastics Day, gymnastics clubs across the United States partner with USA Gymnastics to heighten the visibility of the sport and encourage participation at the grassroots level; and

WHEREAS, National Gymnastics Day aims to serve the community and our nation's youth by raising funds and awareness for the Children's Miracle Network in order to provide comfort and assistance to children who are unable to provide for themselves:

THEREFORE, I, Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim August 4, 2007 as NATIONAL GYMNASTICS DAY in Illinois to encourage citizens of the state to support the worthy and charitable efforts of USA Gymnastics.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Springfield,  
 this           NINTH           day of           JULY           in  
 the Year of Our Lord two thousand and  
          SEVEN          , and of the State of Illinois  
 the one hundred and           EIGHTY-NINTH          

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*Rod Blagojevich*