



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

Peace Corps Month

WHEREAS, the Peace Corps has become an enduring symbol of our nation's commitment to encourage progress, create opportunity and expand development at the grassroots level in the developing world; and

WHEREAS, more than 200,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps volunteers in 139 countries since 1961; and

WHEREAS, over the past 50 years, 1,100 men and women from the state of Idaho have responded to our nation's call to serve by joining the Peace Corps; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps volunteers have made significant and lasting contributions around the world in agriculture, business development, information technology, education, health and HIV/AIDS, and the environment, and have improved the lives of individuals and communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps volunteers have strengthened the ties of friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps volunteers, enriched by their experiences overseas, have brought their communities throughout the United States a deeper understanding of other cultures and traditions, thereby bringing a domestic dividend to our nation; and

WHEREAS, it is indeed fitting to recognize the achievements of the Peace Corps and honor its volunteers, past and present, and reaffirm our country's commitment to helping people help themselves throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim March 2011 to be

PEACE CORPS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-first.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE