



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

National Senior Service Corps Week

WHEREAS, for more than four decades, Americans age 55 and up have used their lifetime of skills and experience to solve problems and strengthen their communities; and

WHEREAS, more than 4,900 senior citizens in Idaho contribute their time and talents in one of the three Senior Corps programs; Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Foster Grandparent Program and Senior Companion Program; and

WHEREAS, 4,543 Retired and Senior Volunteer Program volunteers expand the capacity of more than 670 Idaho organizations to deliver essential services including improving the environment, conducting safety patrols, improving the health of Idaho’s citizens; and

WHEREAS, 262 Foster Grandparent volunteers serve more than 2,400 children and youth with special needs by providing one-on-one tutoring, mentoring and serving as role models; and

WHEREAS, 140 Senior Companion volunteers enable more than 670 frail and elderly adults to live independently in their own homes by transporting them to medical appointments, shopping for groceries, providing friendly visiting and much needed respite care to families; and

WHEREAS, service by older Idahoans benefits everyone – it helps volunteers by keeping them active, healthy, and engaged; it helps our communities to have thousands of more skilled volunteers; and it helps our state by saving taxpayer dollars, reducing healthcare costs and strengthening civic participation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I C.L. “BUTCH” OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 19 – 23, 2011 to be

National Senior Service Corps Week

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 19th day of September 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