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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Roy Romer
Governor

AVIAN AWARENESS DAY May 24, 1988.

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Colorado treasure their unique and irreplaceable environment; and

WHEREAS, bird populations are a valuable barometer of Colorado's general environmental health; and

WHEREAS, more than 400 bird species make Colorado their seasonal or permanent home; and

WHEREAS, of all animal species now extinct, about 90 percent of those are bird species; and

WHEREAS, knowledge of birds' habitats and their habits will ensure their continued preservation; and

WHEREAS, birds are an economic benefit to Colorado's growing wildlife and nature-related activities; and

WHEREAS, observance of Avian Awareness Day will help ensure that, during nesting season for birds, young people throughout Colorado will be mindful of preserving this valuable wildlife resource; and

WHEREAS, information on the activities of the Colorado Division of Wildlife in establishing and protecting important bird habitats throughout the state may be enhanced through the establishment of focused activities;

WHEREAS, an effort is underway to have a national bird day established by Congress; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of an annual Avian Awareness Day for the State of Colorado would benefit wildlife activities and be a positive conclusion to the effort of many area school children who have worked together with the Colorado Audubon Society to make a positive statement through the political process;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, proclaim May 24, 1988, as

AVIAN AWARENESS DAY

in the State of Colorado, and propose that it be celebrated annually in perpetuity.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this 16th day of May, 1988.


Roy Romer
Governor

