



CHARLIE CRIST
GOVERNOR

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, a strong and effective system of free public education for all children is essential to our democratic system of government; and

WHEREAS, due to our system of free and universal public education, the United States has made considerable progress in the social, technological and scientific fields; and

WHEREAS, much of this progress can be attributed to the qualified and dedicated teachers entrusted with the educational development of our children; and

WHEREAS, teachers should be accorded high public esteem, reflecting the value the community places on public education; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate teachers be recognized for their dedication and commitment to educating students;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charlie Crist, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 4-8, 2009, as *Teacher Appreciation Week*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida, to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this 1st day of May, in the year two thousand nine.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Charlie Crist".

Governor