

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Governor's Office

PROCLAMATION

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS MONTH

November 2010

WHEREAS, assistive technology devices and services allow people to work, attend school, play, and live in the community of their choice; and

WHEREAS, an assistive technology device is any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially, modified, or customized, that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities or older citizens; and

WHEREAS, assistive technology services are defined as any service that directly assists an individual in the selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology device; and

WHEREAS, assistive technology devices and services are not luxury items, but necessities for people with disabilities and older citizens. These tools empower people to control their lives and their futures; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is a leader in the development and implementation of assistive technology programs for its citizens with disabilities and older residents.

THEREFORE, In special recognition of the importance of assistive technology, I, Edward G. Rendell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim November 2010 ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS MONTH in Pennsylvania. I encourage all citizens to become aware of the many ways in which assistive technologies contribute to the health, happiness, and independence of our family, friends, and neighbors.

GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

Edward G. Rendell

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

