

Proclamation

By virtue of the authority vested in me as (Governor or Mayor), the week of September 16 - September 22, 2001, is hereby officially recognized as:

National Singles Week in (name of city or state)

WHEREAS, the 2000 Census has reported that 48.3 percent of the nation's households are headed by unmarried adults; and

WHEREAS, the Current Population Survey taken by the Census Bureau in 2000 has documented that 82 million adults in the nation are unmarried; and

WHEREAS, the living arrangements of single and unmarried adults in the nation are diverse, with 27 million adults living alone, nearly 10 million single parents raising their children, and 45 million adults living in other types of unmarried households, and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Labor statistics reports that about 40 percent of the full-time work force is comprised of unmarried adults; and

WHEREAS, single and unmarried adults make significant contributions to society in a wide variety of ways, as employees, taxpayers, parents, and volunteers to civic and charitable causes; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the households in (name of city or state) are headed by unmarried adults; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the adults in (name of city or state) are unmarried, by reason of being single, or having divorced, or having become widowed; and

WHEREAS, for many years, businesses and private organizations have made it a tradition to recognize the third week of September as National Singles Week as a way of celebrating the lives of single and unmarried citizens and residents of the United States and to honor the many contributions they have made to their families, neighborhoods, cities, states, and the nation, as well as to their employers, churches, charities, and civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the (city of _____ or state of _____) to recognize and honor its single and unmarried citizens and residents in this manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, (name of Governor or Mayor), do hereby recognize September 16 - September 22, 2001, as National Singles Week in the (name of city or state) and I call this observance to the attention of all our population.

Dated: _____

Signature

Ask your governor or mayor to issue a proclamation.