

## Celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act

Twenty years ago on July 26, 1990, President Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Without the ADA, Casey Martin may not have played golf on the PGA tour; visitors to San Antonio, Texas who use wheelchairs may not have had access to the beautiful River Walk; and people who need service animals may not have had access to public places such as restaurants, hotels, museums and professional offices.

Show your commitment to ending discrimination against the estimated 1.6 million North Carolina citizens who have a disability.

In recognition of 20 years of progress in eliminating discrimination against people with disabilities, we are asking businesses across our State to recommit their support of the ADA and adopt the enclosed Proclamation. All businesses that adopt the Proclamation will be listed as a partner on our website as well as the website of the national campaign ([www.2010anniversary.org](http://www.2010anniversary.org)).

Please join us in this celebration. Complete the information section on the attached Proclamation and return it to Disability Rights North Carolina today at 2626 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 550, Raleigh, NC 27608.

Or sign up online through the link provided on our website ([www.disabilityrightsn.org](http://www.disabilityrightsn.org)).

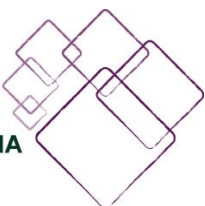


Our goal is to get 500 businesses in North Carolina to adopt the Proclamation by Monday, July 26, 2010.

Many thanks for being a champion for equality and justice! We still have a lot of work to do, but we have come a long way in the past 20 years.

**DISABILITY RIGHTS**  
NORTH CAROLINA

Champions for Equality and Justice



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**Proclamation  
of  
Recommitment to the Americans with Disabilities Act**

*On July 26, 1990, President George H. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities. This legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities.*

*The ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers and changing perceptions, increasing full participation in community life. However, the full promise of the ADA will only be reached if public entities remain committed in their efforts to fully implement the ADA.*

*On the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we celebrate and recognize the progress that has been made by reaffirming the principals of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance.*

*NOW THEREFORE, we hereby reaffirm our commitment to work toward full ADA compliance.*

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Signee \_\_\_\_\_

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