

# STATE OF DELAWARE



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### STATEMENT IN RECOGNITION OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION IN DELAWARE SCHOOLS

*Whereas*, the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education annually declare *International Education Week*, in observance of the contributions international education has brought to our nation; and

*Whereas*, international education and exchange offer students thousands of programs, including study abroad, citizen and scholarly exchanges and world language studies; and

*Whereas*, the Delaware Department of Education signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Cultural and Educational Division of the Embassies of the People's Republic of China, Spain, Trinidad and Tobago and Italy, as well as Checkpoint Charlie of Germany and the Académie de Créteil of France, to promote participation in programs overseas; and

*Whereas*, this year, 24 Delaware students traveled to China through a partnership with the Governor's School for Excellence in China, and 13 Delaware educators attended a two-week seminar in Italy as a part of the Delaware Department of Education's Memorandum of Understanding with Italian city of Ripatransone; and

*Whereas*, we live in an interconnected world, in which improvements in global literacy contribute to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security.

*Now, Therefore, We, Ruth Ann Minner, Governor,  
and John C. Carney, Jr., Lieutenant Governor,*  
do hereby declare November 17 – 21, 2008

### INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

in the State of Delaware and urge all Delawareans to recognize these programs, which help our youth better understand and appreciate other people and their cultures.



*Ruth Ann Minner*  
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Lieutenant Governor

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