



PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

PROCLAMATION

RIGHT TO KNOW WEEK IN MANITOBA

- WHEREAS since 1988, Manitoba has had legislation allowing persons access to records held by provincial government departments and agencies; and
- WHEREAS around the world, September 28th is celebrated as International Right to Know Day; and
- WHEREAS International Right to Know Day started on September 28, 2002, in Sofia, Bulgaria, at an international meeting of access advocates, who proposed that this date be dedicated to the promotion of access to information worldwide; and
- WHEREAS access to information makes possible the public involvement in formulating social policies and in the decision making processes of governance; and
- WHEREAS access to information has revealed and clarified the basis of government decisions, and has assisted in providing government accountability; and
- WHEREAS Right to Know Day celebrates the right of individual access to information held by public bodies and marks the benefits of transparent, accessible government;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT I, Gary Doer, Premier of Manitoba, do hereby proclaim the week of September 25-29, 2006 as

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and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our province.



PREMIER OF MANITOBA

