be directed to the promotion of the ideals of health and public welfare in Alaska, and encourage schools, parents, employers, teachers, government agencies, and all who wish to promote the health and welfare of the people.

**Information Literacy Month**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sean Parnell, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim October 2012 as: 2012 Information Literacy Month, in recognition of the need for information literacy among students and their fellow Alaskans.**

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska supports Information Literacy Awareness Week and encourages its citizens to learn how to efficiently, effectively, and responsibly use information to meet their economic, educational, and cultural needs;

WHEREAS, our schools and libraries offer the essential tools for information literacy, we appreciate the hard work and expertise of our librarians and teachers, and information are critical for success in the workforce and in life;

WHEREAS, in today's workforce, individuals who understand how to find and critically use information and communicate effectively are in demand; and

WHEREAS, information literacy is defined as the ability to recognize a need for information, and then

**Governor Sean Parnell**

**Executive Proclamation**

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