

**NORTHWOOD AREA LAND MANAGEMENT COLLABORATIVE  
"Working Together Across Our Stone Walls"**

**A Proclamation  
Northwood Meadows Discovery Day – July 11, 2009**

**By His Excellency John H. Lynch, Governor of the State of New Hampshire**

***WHEREAS**, The year 2009 marks the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Northwood Meadows State Park; and*

***WHEREAS**, The preservation of the aesthetic values, recreational opportunities and accessibility of Northwood Meadows is a result of collaborative efforts of M. Edward Burtt and the Land Conservation Investment Program, in partnership with the Trust for New Hampshire Lands; and*

***WHEREAS**, Continued improvements and maintenance of Northwood Meadows has been the result of a collaborative effort among many volunteers, the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development and the Town of Northwood; and*

***WHEREAS**, The Northwood Area Land Management Collaborative's (NALMC's) mission of "working together across our stone walls" helps connect people with their land and neighbors to maintain and enhance the ecological, social, recreational and economic resources of the local landscape for present and future generations; and*

***WHEREAS**, NALMC, the Town of Northwood, state agencies and local volunteers have come together to create Northwood Meadows Discovery Day as a means to provide citizens with a unique opportunity to explore and enjoy the special cultural and natural features of Northwood Meadows State Park and surrounding protected lands;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN H. LYNCH, GOVERNOR** of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim **JULY 11, 2009** as **NORTHWOOD MEADOWS DISCOVERY DAY** in New Hampshire, and urge all to appreciate and participate in collaborative partnerships in their own neighborhoods that support and enhance environmental resources for the benefit of present and future generations.*