Version **2**.0

This is it! This is an Event-driven Object-oriented (but **not** OOP) macro…. This is the "Mighty Mouse Macro for Hot Keys!" macro. Yea, Yea, Hurrah, and Hooray!!!…. Even Morris has gotten into the festive mood. He copped the Mighty Mouse graphic from somewhere in the hyperspace of Bulletin Boards (could have even been from "Hot Tips BBS" in La Canada, CA), popped it into a paint program and typed his name on Mighty Mouse's chest.

The principal macro of HOTKEYS2.DOT is… **HotKeys! HotKeys** will allow you to use the single control key, {Alt} with any letter (A to Z), Function key (F1 to F12), or any single number (0 to 9) to add hot keys to your favorite macro. A simple macro from "The Santa Monica Mission Control Center and Boiler Room Group!" An idea so useful, powerful and… well, simple… that it has been totally over looked by the heavyweight macro manglers. An idea left to the peanut gallery of Morris, me, and the Santa Monica Kibitzers Society who gave us a lot of advice but no real help. Well they did take up a lot of space, breathe a lot of room air, and ate all the food in the refrigerator!

But yes, I am really, really elated. **HotKeys** has been weeks in the making. Not that it would be hard for someone who knew what he was doing, but when we started, we couldn't even get the {Alt} key to copy a Hot Key set let alone show you how. **HotKeys** does not give you a fancy and unlimited choice of any two, three, or four hot key sets, Oh no, you get **one** control key, the {Alt} key and you choose **one** other key that has some kind of meaning to you so you can remember what hot key goes with what macro.

Only two keys, {Alt} and one more, 'cause neither Morris or I can remember more than one extra key. That's why we like the built-in WinWord {Ctrl} hot keys like: {Ctrl}+**E** for C**e**ntering text or {Ctrl}+**L** for **L**eft Paragraph Justification or {Ctrl}+**R** for **R**ight Paragraph Justification … they all make sense. These are called mnemonic hot keys as the key relates to the command you want. Mnemonic hot keys are more easily remembered than the fancy three keys sets like {Ctrl}+{Shift}+F10 which is the Ruler mode key set that I had to put on my menu bar because I couldn't remember it.

Version 1.0 of **HotKeys** never got off of the ground. It ended up in a ground loop and all we could salvage from all that work were bits and pieces. This is Version 2.0, and though we have spent many hours cutting, pasting and testing… we know that somewhere out there is a person dying to use this macro to its fullest and when he or she does… we hope hear from them about what doesn't work. The next section is our up-to-date "bug reporting" request because this is one powerful macro that does a lot of "code popping" (not toad hopping) and we really want you to get back to us with "bug" reports.

What To Do About Bugs

We test all the macros that we upload as best we can "from here." What that means is that we try hard. Also WinWord 2.0 is very smart and will load files and macros from one directory to another making me think that my macros will work even on the moon. But obviously that is not true. If you find that the macros do not perform correctly, please leave me a message on CompuServe and I will walk you through them, all of them if necessary. In your message to me, please include the following information:

1.   **Name** of the macro?
2.   What **name** and **number** of **Error Message** appeared?
3.   The **Template name** the macro came in and the **date** at the top of this template file?

Run Hot Keys!

Without further ado we give you… **HotKeys**, out bestest effort to date! Just Single Click on the tiny Mighty Mouse bitmap to try it…

Well… did you like **HotKeys**? Oh, it is too complicated? Well did you read the Help file? Well Gee Whiz we thought it was smashing; maybe because we've been working on it for months. But we don't think you can appreciate it until you use it for a while… maybe. Well… <sigh>, If you liked **HotKeys**, just a little bit, then copy it and the other macros to your NORMAL.DOT or any other template that you wish by Single Clicking on the "Exit" Button below.

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