

CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the

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SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, school board members are elected or appointed to represent the interests of students, teachers, parents, and other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, school board members play a vital role in ensuring that students across the Commonwealth have access to a high-quality, rigorous education, and are best positioned to uphold educational excellence in Virginia's schools; and

WHEREAS, school boards are the governing bodies responsible for the oversight, success, transparency, effectiveness, and outcome of school systems across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, local school board members work for their community's parents, businesses, education professionals, and other community members to execute a shared vision of success for students; and

WHEREAS, these decisions affect the present and future lives of children and chart a path to prepare all students to be productive workers in the Virginia economy, informed and engaged citizens in our pluralistic democracy, and responsible and good neighbors in our communities; and

WHEREAS, School Board Appreciation Month acknowledges the contributions, dedication, and service of Virginia's local school board members;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize February 2025, as **SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH** in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



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Secretary of the Commonwealth