



# CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

## SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

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

**WHEREAS**, school boards 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, and effectiveness of school systems across the Commonwealth; and

**WHEREAS**, local school board members work with parents, businesses, education professionals, and other community members to create a shared vision of success for students; and

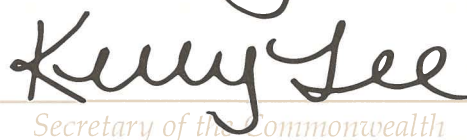
**WHEREAS**, these decisions affect the present and future lives of children and chart a path to prepare all students to be competitive in a local, state, national, and global 21<sup>st</sup> century knowledge economy; and

**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 2024, as **SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH** in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth