

## 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:

## VIRGINIA SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

WHEREAS, all children in Virginia should have access to a high-quality education; and

WHEREAS, Virginia recognizes the important role that a quality education plays in preparing all students in Virginia for success in life; and

WHEREAS, students have different needs and learning styles and a monolithic delivery of education does not serve the myriad needs of all families; and

WHEREAS, Virginians should have options, including public, private, and homeschool, to best educate their students; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is committed to investing in innovative alternatives and providing resources for parents to make the best choice for their child's education; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is building partnerships across the Commonwealth of communities, schools, parents, and students that are committed to educational excellence; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is empowering parents by creating innovation within K-12 public schools to best adapt to the needs of the Commonwealth's students; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is raising education standards to elevate students to high performance levels and reinstituting merit-based acceptance to Governor's and magnet schools; and

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools, and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize January 22-28, 2023, as VIRGINIA SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of our citizens.



Secretary of the Commonwealth