



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, every child 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 one-size-fits-all delivery of education does not serve the myriad needs of all families; and

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

WHEREAS, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is committed to investing in innovative learning options, providing resources for parents to make the best choice to meet their child's needs, and reducing barriers that prevent access to the courses, models, and learning environment they want to pursue; and

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

WHEREAS, Virginia is raising education standards to elevate students to high performance levels through Regional High Schools, Governors' Schools, and College Preparatory Lab Schools which foster partnerships between our higher education institutions and Virginia's most critical employers to ensure all students are prepared for high-demand jobs or college; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize January 26-February 1, 2025, as **VIRGINIA SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK** in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.




Governor


Secretary of the Commonwealth