



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:

PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, educating the children of Virginia by increasing their knowledge and understanding and developing positive character traits is of utmost importance in our Commonwealth, and Virginians are committed to ensuring that no child is left behind; and

WHEREAS, parents and guardians are responsible for the education of their children, and principals and teachers are entrusted to guide, direct and impart knowledge to their kids while they are at school; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's children are learning to become self-reliant and productive citizens due to the combined efforts of our school principals, teachers, and parents, all of whom encourage our kids to succeed; and

WHEREAS, principals work tirelessly in communities across Virginia to maintain academic accountability through the Virginia Standards of Learning, to ensure a safe and positive learning environment for all students, and to encourage and facilitate teachers' and parents' efforts to make a positive difference in the lives of our young people; and

WHEREAS, principals promote academic accountability in our public schools by adhering to the Virginia Standards of Learning and by providing the educational and administrative leadership required to maintain the standards of excellence expected in Virginia's public and private schools; and

WHEREAS, with wisdom and strength of character, principals strive to serve as mentors to teachers and students by providing consistent support and direction; and

WHEREAS, due to their diligent work, enthusiasm, perseverance, and sense of duty, principals provide educational leadership throughout our great Commonwealth that helps maintain the standards of excellence expected in the education of Virginia's next generation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Timothy M. Kaine, do hereby recognize January 29 – February 2, 2007 as **PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION WEEK** in the **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Governor

Secretary of the Commonwealth