



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 NURSE DAY

WHEREAS, school nurses join with families and communities across the Commonwealth in recognizing that the health, safety, and well-being of young Virginians are crucial to their growth, development, and educational success; and

WHEREAS, school nurses greatly enhance the educational process for students by helping them meet their individual health care needs through assessments, delivery of intervention services, provision of emergency care, and by appropriately managing acute and chronic illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the health status of Virginia's students is fostered and protected through screenings, health education, prevention programs, and strong communication between families, teachers, health care providers, and school administrators; and

WHEREAS, school nurses offer professional health services in order to promote optimal learning and student success for all students, and

WHEREAS, school nurses assist in the maintenance of healthy and safe school environments in the Commonwealth through giving generously of their time and talents networking with school personnel and community partnerships; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize school nurses throughout our great Commonwealth for the compassionate and dedicated service that they provide in Virginia to students, families, and schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert F. McDonnell, do hereby recognize May 9, 2012 as **SCHOOL NURSE DAY** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.




Governor


Secretary of the Commonwealth