



## CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

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

### **VIRGINIA SCHOOL PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, school principals work cooperatively to direct, develop, and inspire all members of the school staff and student body, and to communicate effectively with parents to engage them in the learning process; and

**WHEREAS**, principals serve as educational leaders, responsible for managing the policies, regulations, and procedures necessary to ensure a safe and effective learning environment for all students in Virginia's public and private schools; and

**WHEREAS**, principals and teachers are entrusted with the opportunity and the responsibility of guiding, directing, nurturing, mentoring, and imparting knowledge to our children while they are at school; and

**WHEREAS**, principals must work collaboratively with teachers, staff, students, parents, and the community-at-large to proactively prepare students to be self-reliant and productive citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Virginia School Principals Appreciation Week is an opportunity to recognize the hard work of Virginia school principals and to recognize the importance of principals in ensuring that every child has access to a quality education;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize January 22-28, 2017, as **VIRGINIA SCHOOL PRINCIPALS APPRECIATION WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Handwritten signature of Terence R. McAuliffe in black ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Kelly Thomas in black ink.

Secretary of the Commonwealth