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:

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, a strong and effective school system is essential to the economic prosperity of Virginia, and ensures that we continue to make social, technological, and scientific advancements; and

WHEREAS, qualified, dedicated teachers are the foundation of a successful school system and are fundamental to the strength of our Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's teachers are entrusted with helping our students reach their full academic potential and exhibit an unwavering devotion to student success; and

WHEREAS, teachers are essential to empowering families and communities to support our children and their potential to achieve; and

WHEREAS, Teacher Appreciation Week is an opportunity for Virginians to join with the teachers around the country on the critical role our teachers play in shaping our children and the future of the Commonwealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize May 4-8, 2015, as **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,** and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Governor

Secretary of the Commonwealth