



## 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:*

### **SCHOOL NURSE DAY**

**WHEREAS**, school nurses serve on the front lines and provide a critical safety net for our children during the school day; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than 100 years, school nurses have worked with families and communities across the Commonwealth to advance the health, safety, and wellness that are crucial to the development and educational success of young Virginians; and

**WHEREAS**, school nurses enhance the educational process by meeting the health care needs of students through assessments, intervention services, emergency care, and the management of acute and chronic illnesses during the school day; and

**WHEREAS**, school nurses often are members of school-based mental health teams; and

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

**WHEREAS**, school nurses understand the link between health and learning, and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize school nurses throughout the Commonwealth for the compassionate and dedicated service they provide to students, teachers, and communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize May 10, 2017, as **SCHOOL NURSE DAY** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terence R. McAuliffe".

*Governor*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kelly Thomas".

*Secretary of the Commonwealth*