

# Proclamation

by

**Andy Beshear**  
**Governor**

of the

**Commonwealth of Kentucky**



*To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:*

- WHEREAS, The Adult Education Act of 2000 states that "Adult illiteracy is a fundamental barrier to every major challenge facing Kentucky, including early childhood education, education reform, economic development, and improving the health and well-being of Kentucky's families and communities"; and
- WHEREAS, The vision of Kentucky Skills U is that Kentuckians will experience a higher standard of living and quality of life through increased educational attainment; and
- WHEREAS, Approximately, 32 million Americans cannot read or write, and in Kentucky 327,000 working age adults are without a high school equivalency or received a General Educational Development certificate; and
- WHEREAS, Sixty-two percent of all Kentucky jobs require some kind of education or training; and
- WHEREAS, Increasing public awareness of literacy rates can alleviate illiteracy; and
- WHEREAS, Low literacy rates among adults may also be countered by supporting and strengthening workplace, school, and volunteer literacy programs on the local, state, and national levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDY BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim September 20-26, 2020, as

**ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK**

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty and in the 229<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andy Beshear".

ANDY BESHEAR  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael G. Adams".

Michael G. Adams  
Secretary of State

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MICHAEL G. ADAMS  
SECRETARY OF STATE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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