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 25th day of September, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty and in the 229th year of the Commonwealth.

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ANDY BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

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Michael G. Adams
Secretary of State
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MICHAEL G. ADAMS
SECRETARY OF STATE
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