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MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, more than 51 million Americans are unable read or write at the most basic level while over 75 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, every year, one in three young adults drops out of high school; and

WHEREAS, American Action Forum estimates that the U.S. economy is short an estimated 7.5 million private-sector workers across all skill levels; and

WHEREAS, Adult Education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans continue their educational journeys to achieve basic skills, get prepared for career and college, and engage in lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Adult Education programs in high schools, community centers, community colleges, and other institutions across the United States offer low-cost, high-value programs that upgrade the skills of our citizens, including here in Middletown; and

WHEREAS, Middletown celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Educate and Elevate Campaign which helps our citizens learn about Adult Education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, BENJAMIN D. FLORSHEIM, Mayor of the City of Middletown do hereby proclaim September 18-24, 2023, as

ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY WEEK

in the City of Middletown and, on behalf of the residents, it is my pleasure to recognize how instrumental our Adult Education programs, including our own Middletown Adult Education, have been in helping Americans attain their professional and personal goals.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Middletown to be affixed this 12th day of September, 2023.

ATTEST:

BENJAMIN D. FLORSHEIM
Mayor

