The State of New Hampshire By His Excellency Christopher T. Sununu, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Three

ADULT EDUCATION & FAMILY LITERACY WEEK SEPTEMBER 18-22, 2023

WHEREAS, more than 51.4 million Americans are unable to read or write, while 75.1 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in employment and post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, more than 56,000 adults over the age of 25 in New Hampshire are without hig school credentials, and more than 163,000 people in New Hampshire scored at the lowest literacy levels; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that we support individuals in identifying and achieving their potential academic and/or career goals; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire Adult Education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Granite Staters move along in the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for career and college; and

WHEREAS, the more than 30 Adult Education centers across the state offer low cost, high value programs that upgrade the skill set of our citizens, specifically integrating critical thinking, communication, digital fluency, adaptability, problem solving, essential literacy and other foundational skills needed to work; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national campaign which helps our citizens learn about all their options to attain their professional and personal goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim SEPTEMBER 18-22, 2023 as ADULT EDUCATION & FAMILY LITERACY WEEK in the State of New Hampshire, and call this to the attention of all citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 30th day of August, 2023.

Christopher T. Sununu Governor