



TOWN of SUMMERVILLE, SC

A Proclamation

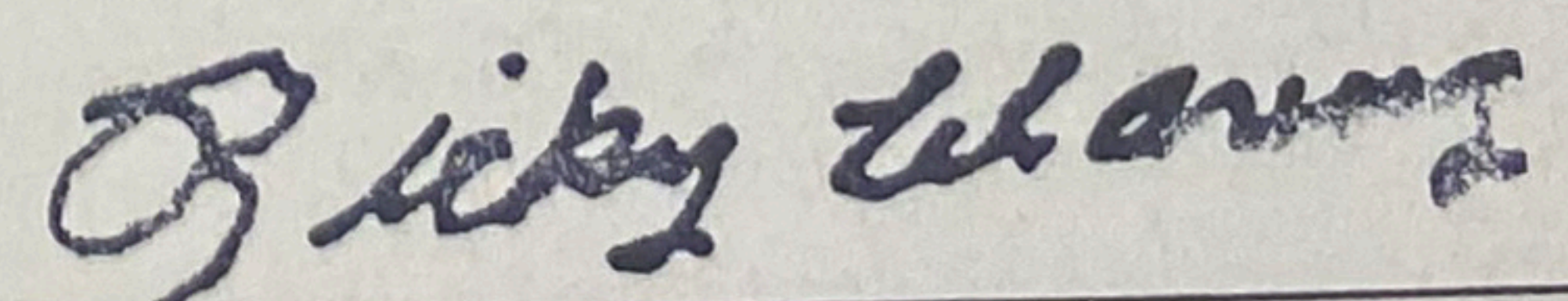
- Whereas,** More than 43 million Americans can't read or write at the most basic level while 62.7 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in post-secondary education; and
- Whereas,** Every year, one out of every three young adults drop out of high school; and
- Whereas,** Adult Education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for career and college; and
- Whereas,** Adult Education and family literacy programs assist adults who are parents or family members in obtaining the education and skills that are necessary to become full partners in the educational development of their children; and
- Whereas,** The 52 local adult education providers in South Carolina provide instruction and testing services for residents seeking to attain a high school equivalency credential and support adults in strengthening core literacy, numeracy, and digital skills, learning English as a second language and civics, and preparing for college or to immediately enter a career pathway; and
- Whereas,** in 2022-2023, Dorchester County Adult Education served 428 adult learners, with 94 earning a high school equivalency diploma and 31 obtaining a workplace credential;

Now Therefore I, Ricky Waring, Mayor of the Town Summerville, along with Town Council, do hereby proclaim September 18-22, 2023 as

Adult Education and Family Literacy Week

in the Town of Summerville and throughout Dorchester County and encourage all citizens to work to increase literacy among our residents.

Done at Summerville, SC
This 14th day of September, 2023



Ricky Waring, Mayor

