

HONORARY PROCLAMATION

**National Adult Education & Family Literacy Week
September 16 – 20, 2024**

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 in three young adults drops out of high school; and,

WHEREAS, American Action Forum estimates that America 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 move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for career and college; and,

WHEREAS, Adult Education programs in high schools and adult schools, community colleges and community centers offer low cost, high-value programs that upgrade the skill set of our citizens; and,

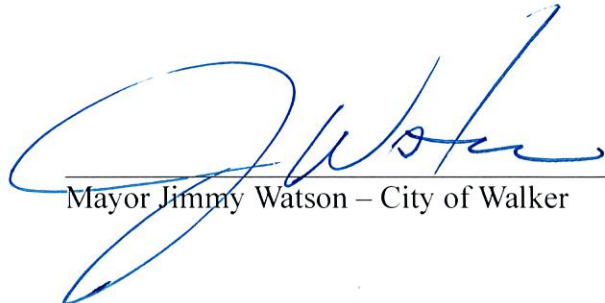
WHEREAS, our City of Walker celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Educate & Elevate Campaign which helps our citizens learn about all their Adult Education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

NOW THEREFORE I, Mayor James Watson, proclaim September 16 – 20, 2024 as

NATIONAL ADULT EDUCATION & FAMILY LITERACY WEEK

in the City of Walker, Livingston Parish, Louisiana;

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the City of Walker, this 9th day of September, 2024.



Mayor Jimmy Watson – City of Walker