



# CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

## **VIRGINIA VOLUNTEER WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, throughout Virginia's history, citizens have actively volunteered their time, talent, and energy to improve our communities and make our Commonwealth a better place; and

**WHEREAS**, countless Virginians enhance the quality of life of others by volunteering with service organizations, in schools, places of worship, hospitals, youth groups, and with other organizations that benefit our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteer service is needed now more than ever to tackle the tough social, economic, cultural, and humanitarian needs of Virginians, and the spirit of volunteerism grows stronger in the face of even the most challenging situations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting to honor the many individuals and organizations who lend their time, skills, and efforts to improving our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week, enacted in 1974 by President Nixon, celebrates a fifty-year legacy this year of designating a special time to recognize and celebrate the contributions of volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, Virginians are encouraged to volunteer during this week and year-round as a reminder that giving back to the community fosters love and service to others, therefore strengthening the Spirit of Virginia;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize April 21-27, 2024, as **VIRGINIA VOLUNTEER WEEK** in the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth