

## 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:

## EARLY INTERVENTION AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Virginia's children are among our Commonwealth's most valuable, precious, and vulnerable citizens, and they require proper care and attention from birth and throughout their formative years; and

WHEREAS, some children are born with developmental delays and disabilities, and it is crucial that these children receive immediate intervention treatment upon diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, early intervention equips families with resources and strategies to support their child's growth, fostering a nurturing and informed environment; and

WHEREAS, access to early intervention services promotes equal opportunities for all children, ensuring that every child can reach their fullest potential; and

WHEREAS, investing in early intervention programs strengthens future educational success and workforce readiness for the next generation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia provides early intervention services, regardless of a family's ability to pay, for more than 24,100 eligible infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities and their families throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, partnerships between state agencies, physicians and other private care providers, and families with children with disabilities help ensure the continuation of early intervention services that enhance development and promote the health and well-being of Virginia's children and families; and

WHEREAS, it is important that Virginia's citizens know about early intervention services available to infants and toddlers born with developmental delays and disabilities so families may utilize every opportunity to provide for the health and well-being of their children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize May 2025, as EARLY INTERVENTION AWARENESS MONTH in the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



Governor

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Secretary of the Commonwealth