

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the children of our Commonwealth must be provided with a caring, nurturing environment where their concerns can be properly understood, respected, and addressed; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's school counselors are highly talented, educated, and compassionate professionals who are committed to the emotional, social, and educational welfare of students; and

WHEREAS, school counselors help students find their strengths, inspire them to reach their full potential, provide resources for personal development, offer guidance and advice in times of need, and cultivate a supportive, productive school environment; and

WHEREAS, by identifying and utilizing community resources to enhance and complement comprehensive counseling programs, counselors help students develop relationships and skills that will serve them well throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, parents collaborate with school counselors to further the educational, social, and emotional growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, school counselors are vital members of a successful educational team, working with teachers, administrators, support staff, and the community to ensure the well-being of Pennsylvania's children.

THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim February 5-9, 2024 to be

SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK

in recognition of the invaluable role school counselors play in providing a quality educational environment and to encourage all Pennsylvanians to support the efforts of school counselors in the development of our nation's future leaders—our children.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this thirtieth day of January two thousand twenty-four, the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-eighth.

Governor Josh Shapiro