

# COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



## PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, today's children are faced with tremendous challenges, and we must ensure that they are afforded the love, attention, and guidance they need to become tomorrow's leaders; and

WHEREAS, if we are to help Pennsylvania's children grow and develop into responsible adults, we must ensure that their learning is meaningful, their social and coping skills are developed, their concerns are properly addressed, their dreams encouraged, and their ideas respected; and

WHEREAS, school psychologists are highly talented and educated professionals who are devoted to meeting the unique social, emotional, and educational needs of students; and

WHEREAS, the role of school psychologists has grown from testing and counseling to include helping teachers identify and handle learning and behavior problems, creating new instructional programs that benefit children of all learning styles and abilities, outlining interventions required for students success, and more; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 1,200 school psychologists in Pennsylvania working directly with teachers, administrators, support staff, families, and communities to prepare our children to manage the challenges and opportunities of the future and to look forward with a feeling of hope and possibility.

THEREFORE, I, Josh Shapiro, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim November 11-15, 2024, to be

### SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY AWARENESS WEEK

in recognition of these highly trained and dedicated professionals. I encourage all Pennsylvanians to learn more about and support these critical community members.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this twenty-fourth day of October two thousand twenty-four, the year of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-ninth.

Governor Josh Shapiro