

Proclamation

by

Matthew G. Bevin
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Based on her observations of children and the manner by which they learn, Italian physician and educator Dr. Maria Montessori developed an innovative philosophy of education in the early 1900s that continues to be used in public and private schools around the world, including in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, As an educational system for children from birth through age eighteen, the Montessori Method uses materials, techniques and observations that support students' natural development, encourage their learning, independence and self-confidence, and advance the principles of peace through responsible citizenship; and

WHEREAS, The Montessori Method includes developmental teaching, one-to-one lessons, and the promotion of respect among the students and humankind; and

WHEREAS, There are at least 4,000 Montessori programs in the United States, including an estimated 30 serving children in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, The International Association for Montessori Education dedicates the last week of February each year as Montessori Education Week to celebrate and raise community awareness of the Montessori philosophy;

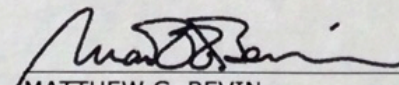
NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim February 28th - March 5th, 2016 as

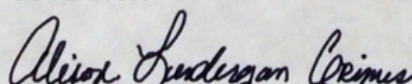
MONTESSORI EDUCATION WEEK

in Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort
the 15th day of February, in the year of Our Lord
Two Thousand Sixteen and in the 224th year of
the Commonwealth.


MATTHEW G. BEVIN
GOVERNOR


ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES
SECRETARY OF STATE