



## *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:*

### **RONALD REAGAN DAY**

**WHEREAS**, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, was an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, governor of California, and president of the United States, working throughout his life to shine a light on the ideals of freedom and its relation to the public good; and

**WHEREAS**, President Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America, the second of which he was victorious in forty-nine of fifty states in the general election - a feat unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

**WHEREAS**, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as president in 1981, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant inflation and high unemployment; and

**WHEREAS**, President Reagan demonstrated great courage and strength through his recuperation and leadership after an assassination attempt occurring less than 100 days into his first year as president; and

**WHEREAS**, President Reagan's strong belief in the power of the individual allowed his administration to revitalize the economy and begin one of the longest economic expansions in American history; and

**WHEREAS**, during his two terms, President Reagan worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government, which led to unprecedented economic growth and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, as a World War II veteran, President Reagan exhibited a strong commitment to our armed forces that contributed to the restoration of pride in America, and prepared the United States Armed Forces to meet the challenges of the 21st century; and

**WHEREAS**, President Reagan's vision of "peace through strength" led to the end of the Cold War, and his determination to "tear down that wall" assisted in the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people worldwide; and

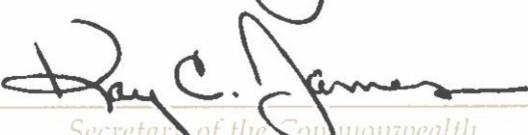
**WHEREAS**, in a November 1994 letter to the American people, President Reagan thoughtfully reflected his character, dignity, love of life and country, and a spirit of satisfaction in accomplishing his life's objectives; and

**WHEREAS**, February 6, 2023, marks the 112th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth and the nineteenth year since his passing;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Glenn Youngkin, do hereby recognize February 6, 2023, as **RONALD REAGAN DAY** in the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of our citizens.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth