



## CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution of Virginia in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

### **NATIONAL RETIREMENT PLANNING WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, Americans are living longer lives, leaving many unsure how to make their savings last through their retired years; and

**WHEREAS**, preparing for retirement has become increasingly difficult due to a new set of challenges, emerging such as changes in employee benefits, greater need for access to technology, and the rising cost of health care; and

**WHEREAS**, these challenges are overcome by educating Americans about their financial responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, taking the time to regularly review one's finances and assess financial preparedness for retirement is a critical first step; and

**WHEREAS**, financial freedom is obtained through proactive retirement planning, staying aware of changing laws, and seeking professional guidance to help meet personal finance goals; and

**WHEREAS**, increased planning for one's retirement with a comprehensive strategy will leave many Americans more financially secure; and

**WHEREAS**, experts from the National Retirement Planning Coalition, the group that organizes National Retirement Planning Week, urge Virginians to develop and review their retirement plans with the tools and help available at [RetireOnYourTerms.org](http://RetireOnYourTerms.org);

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize April 11-15, 2016, as **NATIONAL RETIREMENT PLANNING WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Handwritten signature of Terence R. McAuliffe in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

*Governor*

Handwritten signature of Jewell M. Taylor in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

*Secretary of the Commonwealth*