

**A Proclamation:**

**August is Children's Vision  
and Learning Month**

**WHEREAS**, as children across the State of Wisconsin prepare for the start of another school year, many of them will begin their studies with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that vision disorders are the number one handicapping condition of children. In fact, as many as one in four school age children have vision problems, according to the College of Optometrists in Vision Development; and

**WHEREAS**, all children deserve the opportunity to learn and to achieve their full potential; and


**WHEREAS**, for the above reasons, public awareness about learning-related vision problems is necessary to ensure that young people receive the prompt vision treatment they need to enhance their lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Evelyn Johnson, City Manager of the City of Fort Atkinson, in accord with the Officer of the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, and in recognition of the importance of good vision to learning, do hereby proclaim August, 2013

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and I encourage parents, educators, school nurses and all concerned adults to recognize the critical role good vision plays in the learning process, and to work together to help prevent or reduce the impact untreated vision problems can have on our children's ability to read and learn.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013.

  
Evelyn Johnson, City Manager  
City of Fort Atkinson