



City of Charleston

JOHN J. TECKLENBURG
MAYOR

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS; as children across the City of Charleston prepare for the start of a new school year, many students will begin their studies with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems; and

WHEREAS; research shows that vision disorders can affect as many as one in four school age children with vision problems that could interfere with learning, according to the College of Optometrists in Vision Department; and

WHEREAS; all children deserve the opportunity to learn and to achieve their full potential. For this reason, public awareness about learning-related vision problems is helpful to ensure that young people receive the prompt vision treatment they need to enhance their lives; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor, City of Charleston, do hereby proclaim the month of August 2016 as:

CHILDREN'S VISION AND LEARNING MONTH

in the City of Charleston, and on behalf of City Council and encourage all our citizens, to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.




John J. Tecklenburg Mayor