WHEREAS, many children with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems throughout Ohio are preparing for the start of another school year; and

WHEREAS, 25 percent of school-age children have vision problems; and

WHEREAS, traditional eye exams will not diagnose the problems experienced by children who have trouble with their reading vision, causing them to skip or reread lines, to have poor reading comprehension, to take longer than siblings to do homework, or to reverse letters when reading or writing; and

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

WHEREAS, public awareness about vision problems is necessary to ensure that young people receive prompt treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize August as

CHILDREN’S VISION AND LEARNING MONTH

on this 23rd day of July 2019.