



## 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:*

### **TEEN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of all Virginians is essential to the happiness and well-being of the Commonwealth's families and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, cancer is the leading cause of disease-related death in the adolescent population; and

**WHEREAS**, survival rates for adolescents with cancer have not improved in almost 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, many adolescent cancer survivors are isolated from their friends and family and have trouble readjusting to school and social settings; and

**WHEREAS**, the determination and bravery with which these adolescent teens fight their battles against cancer should be recognized and commended; and

**WHEREAS**, it is critical that those affected by teen cancer have access to quality, affordable care, and that research of all forms of cancer continues to be vigorously supported;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize the third week of January 2015 as **TEEN CANCER AWARENESS WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



  
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Governor

  
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Secretary of the Commonwealth