

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:

PRETRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

WHEREAS, pretrial services, probation and parole agencies are essential parts of the justice system; and

WHEREAS, pretrial, probation and parole agencies work collaboratively and in partnership with other local and state entities, such as law enforcement, magistrates, victim services, judges, commonwealth's attorneys, defense attorneys, sheriffs, jail and prison administrators, reentry providers, local educators, mental health and substance abuse treatment providers, and other citizen organizations to effectively respond to crime and correctional needs in each locality throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Virginia maintains a system that allows defendants and offenders to be supervised in their communities while on pretrial, probation, or parole supervision to protect the safety and wellbeing of citizens; and

WHEREAS, pretrial, probation, and parole officers are community corrections professionals charged with preserving Virginians' safety by implementing data-driven policies to ensure defendant and offender adherence to mandated conditions, which include appearance in court, and applying appropriate interventions and sanctions for non-compliance of pretrial, probation, or parole conditions; and

WHEREAS, pretrial, probation, and parole officers support rehabilitative justice, engage in evidence-based practices, and help defendants and offenders transition into productive citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize July 16-22, 2017, as PRETRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

