**Proclamation for National Student Leadership Week**

Office of the *Mayor (or other local official)*

WHEREAS, schools sponsor student leadership activities in order to provide students with vital experience in exercising a voice in matters of common concern, reconciling diverse interests, and selecting leaders;

WHEREAS, student leaders are a positive influence on their peers, modeling good character and scholarship in and out of the classroom, and serve as change agents to improve the overall climate and academic performance levels of their schools;

WHEREAS, student leaders do not automatically develop sound leadership skills and require trained, dedicated faculty advisers to help them develop the essential traits and characteristics of a leader and to provide the positive experiences necessary to expand their skills and foster their paths to becoming effective leaders;

WHEREAS, the support of school administrators and faculty, parents, and community members is necessary to help ensure the successful education of all emerging student leaders;

WHEREAS, **National Student Leadership Week** serves as an ideal time to bring attention to the important and integral contributions that student leaders and all student activities make in our nation’s schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, as *Mayor of* (*City Name*), (*State Name*), do hereby proclaim the third full week of Aprilas **“(*name of city*) Student Leadership Week”** in support of National Student Leadership Week, and urge citizens to seek opportunities to recognize student leaders in our schools and support their training and activities as they prepare themselves for their future stations as leaders of our city, state, and nation.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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