

John Bel Edwards

GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Early Childhood Association (LA

the Louisiana Early Childhood Association (LAECA), the Home

Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) and other local organizations, in conjunction with the Southern Early

Childhood Association (SECA), and the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), are celebrating the

Month of the Young Child; and

WHEREAS,

by calling attention to the need for high-quality early childhood services for all children and families within our state, there

services for all children and families within our state, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such

services; and

WHEREAS,

the quality of the early childhood experiences provided today to

young children from birth through age eight is essential to the

future of our state; and

WHEREAS,

high quality early childhood services represent a worthy

commitment to our children's future.

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do

hereby proclaim April 2017 as

THE MONTH OF THE YOUNG CHILD

in the State of Louisiana.



In Wilness Whorcef, I have hereunte set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seat of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Balon Plouge, on this <u>1st</u> day of <u>April</u> A.D., <u>2017</u>.

Governor of Louisiana