# Froclamation

by

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of the

## Commonwealth of Kentucky



### To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Kentucky is proud to recognize the importance of social work in our schools and the critical role that school social workers play in helping to mold and educate our children; and

WHEREAS, School social workers here and nationwide have provided a vital link among the school, home and community for more than one hundred years; and

WHEREAS, As that vital link, school social workers help parents understand and meet their children's social and emotional needs; and

WHEREAS, School social workers work closely with administrators, teachers and other education professionals to help schools develop programs that are flexible and responsive to individual student needs; and

WHEREAS, School social workers provide excellent leadership and guidance for students who are facing poverty, disabilities, discrimination, addiction, abuse/bullying, divorce, the loss of a loved one and other obstacles that hinder learning and growth as individuals; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky social workers commit themselves to improving the lives in their communities, and are especially important in schools where our next generation of leaders learns and grows;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim March  $4^{th}$ - $10^{th}$ , 2018, as

#### SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK

In Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen and in the 226<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

MATTHEW G. BEVIN GOVERNOR

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