



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:

VIRGINIA DAIRY MONTH

WHEREAS, milk is the third highest selling agricultural product in Virginia, with \$358 million in cash receipts in 2012; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, there were 630 licensed Grade A dairy farms, nine commercial milk processing plants, and three on-farm bottling plants in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's top dairy-producing counties in 2013 were Rockingham – 512 million pounds, Franklin – 178 million pounds, Pittsylvania – 136.5 million pounds, Augusta – 135 million pounds, Fauquier – 49.7 million pounds, and Clarke – 48.8 million pounds; and

WHEREAS, milk has been the official beverage of the Commonwealth since 1982; and

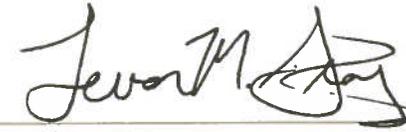
WHEREAS, a cup of milk has 8.4 grams of protein, and provides 50 percent of the recommended daily allowance of calcium and 23 percent of the recommended daily allowance of vitamin A;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize June 2014 as **VIRGINIA DAIRY MONTH** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.





Governor



Secretary of the Commonwealth