



## CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

### **ELKS LODGE YOUTH WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, youth is the backbone of our Commonwealth and nation because they are the future leaders at all levels of society; and

**WHEREAS**, the youth of our Commonwealth are encouraged to practice freedom and justice for all and are encouraged to live by the Constitution of the United States and Commonwealth of Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, adults can ensure that our youth are given every opportunity to succeed and achieve their highest potential and the Elks Lodges of Virginia are partnering with young people to help prepare them to for the responsibilities and opportunities of citizenship; and

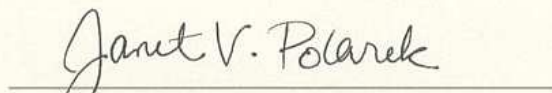
**WHEREAS**, from May 2-8, 2011 Elks Lodges' throughout the Commonwealth and nation will recognize Youth Week by hosting various community events meant to inspire, guide and encourage Virginia's young people;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert F. McDonnell, do hereby recognize **ELKS LODGE YOUTH WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens; and

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Lesser Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of May, 2011.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth