



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:

GLOBAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth is proud to be home to more than 840,000 veterans; and

WHEREAS, Virginia has one of the largest active duty service member populations in the United States with Virginia being home to dozens of installations including the Pentagon, Naval Station Norfolk, Fort Belvoir, and Marine Corps Base Quantico; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's active duty service members and veterans have risked their lives to protect our country and defend our freedoms; and

WHEREAS, the Improvised Explosive Device (IED) has proven to be the number one threat to our military personnel in combat in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, the Global Campaign Against IEDs works to raise awareness and support for our veterans who have been injured or killed by IEDs; and

WHEREAS, the Global Campaign Against IEDs, Colonel Bob Morris (RET), the Virginia Military Institute's Alumni Association, the Virginia Military Institute Commanders, and Ian Anderson and the Best of Jethro Tull paid tribute to our service members and veterans by hosting the Helping the Heroes Concert on October 5, 2014, in Richmond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize the **GLOBAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST IEDs** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA** for its service and commitment to providing valuable resources and assistance to our wounded veterans, military personnel, and military families.



Handwritten signature of Terence R. McAuliffe in black ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of J. Lee Myers in black ink.

Secretary of the Commonwealth