

Dyslexia Awareness Month October 2023

WHEREAS, dyslexia is a language-based learning disability that causes difficulties with reading, writing, spelling, and word pronunciation; and

WHEREAS, the onset and severity of dyslexia varies for each individual; and

WHEREAS, because it takes individuals with dyslexia longer to process phonemic information, the disability directly affects academic growth, achievement, and self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, it is important to provide effective teaching approaches and related clinical educational intervention strategies for individuals with dyslexia; and

WHEREAS, Dyslexia Awareness Month is an opportunity to acknowledge educators specializing in effective teaching strategies, and to celebrate the many achievements of adolescents, students, and adults with dyslexia;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, the Charlottesville City School Board joins Governor Youngkin in recognizing October 2023 as **DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH** in our COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

James E. Engal	October 5, 2023
Chair, Charlottesville City School Board	 Date