

Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Environmental education will increase dramatically by the creation of a full week of educational preparation in K-12 classrooms, university campuses, and informal settings such as nature centers, zoos, aquariums, and museums; and
- WHEREAS, Collaborative efforts will increase the amount of environmental education taking place in America's classrooms prior to Earth Day while drawing educator attention to the larger opportunities and value of environmental education for both year long education and environmental stewardship; and
- WHEREAS, Environmental education bolsters core environmental literacy in our K-12 students by featuring grade-appropriate environmental literacy goals and content standards; and
- WHEREAS, Environmental education will encourage schools to partner with local museums, nature centers, zoos, science centers, aquariums, and local parks; and
- WHEREAS, The professional environmental education community will have an opportunity to annually share its accomplishments with the nation's educational leaders; and
- WHEREAS, National Environmental Education Week, coordinated by the National Environmental Education Foundation in cooperation with hundreds of outstanding environmental education organizations, education associations, and agencies, will become an annually anticipated event for local participation in schools and various education centers in Kentucky;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the week of April 12-18, 2009, as

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK

in Kentucky.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 7th day of April, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nine and in the 217th year of the Commonwealth.

Handwritten signature of Steven L. Beshear in black ink.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Trey Grayson in black ink.

Trey Grayson
Secretary of State