

WHEREAS, school principals play an integral role in the education and growth of children in elementary, middle, and secondary schools across the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, school principals are responsible for promoting education and building relationships with teachers and parents to ensure that each child receives equitable educational opportunities and services to reach their potential; and,

WHEREAS, a primary responsibility of the State of Illinois to preserve and improve resources for schools so that all students have access to quality education and a foundation for a successful future; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Principals Association, which represents over 6,200 educational leaders statewide, believes that learning is a lifelong process and that the education of our children is the highest priority; and,

WHEREAS, school leaders face many obstacles in supporting and educating our young people and it is through their perseverance, passion, and hope-filled leadership that Illinois continues to produce quality, career-ready students; and,

WHEREAS, we must continue to encourage, support, and recognize our school principals who have a positive impact on Illinois students and the educational system in the Land of Lincoln;

THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the week of October 15-21, 2023, as **Principals Week** and Friday, October 20, 2023, as **Principals Day** in Illinois, to recognize principals and the Illinois Principals Association for all that they do to help our children learn and succeed.

In Witness Whereut, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,

this _____ EIGHTH day of _____ SEPTEMBER_, in

the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and

_____ TWENTY-THREE_, and of the State of Illinois,

two hundred and ______ FIFTH_.

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