

WHEREAS, men, women, and children with dyslexia experience difficulties learning to read, write, and spell, and in some cases, to use numbers because of a neurological, genetically-based learning difference; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of dyslexia include a delay in spoken language development, difficulties with concepts of sequence, time, and space, and reduced comprehension of the written and spoken word; and

WHEREAS, while those afflicted must overcome challenges in school, work, and personal growth, this learning difference can be made easier to overcome through early diagnosis, identification, and appropriate educational programming; and

WHEREAS, community organizations and nonprofits share knowledge, experience, and support in order to increase public awareness, work toward solutions to the problems associated with dyslexia in our schools and our communities, and support those individuals with this learning difference so as to help them attain their full intellectual potential;

Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim, October 2017, as

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this first day of October, 2017

Jøhn W. Hickenlooper Governor