

# HIGHLINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS



## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR DEMOCRACY, PROVIDING YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO MAINTAIN OUR NATION'S PRECIOUS VALUES OF FREEDOM, CIVILITY, AND EQUALITY; AND

**WHEREAS**, BY EQUIPPING YOUNG AMERICANS WITH BOTH PRACTICAL SKILLS AND BROADER INTELLECTUAL ABILITIES, SCHOOLS GIVE THEM HOPE FOR, AND ACCESS TO, A PRODUCTIVE FUTURE; AND

**WHEREAS**, EDUCATION EMPLOYEES — BE THEY CUSTODIANS OR TEACHERS, BUS DRIVERS OR LIBRARIANS — WORK TIRELESSLY TO SERVE OUR CHILDREN AND COMMUNITIES WITH CARE AND PROFESSIONALISM; AND

**WHEREAS**, SCHOOLS ARE COMMUNITY LINCHPINS, BRINGING TOGETHER ADULTS AND CHILDREN, EDUCATORS AND VOLUNTEERS, BUSINESS LEADERS, AND ELECTED OFFICIALS IN A COMMON ENTERPRISE;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOHN P. WELCH, SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHLINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16-22, 2008, IS

### ***AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK***

IN HIGHLINE, AND I FURTHER ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO EXTEND THEIR COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC EDUCATION AND TO THE FUTURE OF OUR CHILDREN BY SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY'S SCHOOLS THROUGH THE CONTRIBUTION OF THEIR TIME AND ENERGY.

SIGNED THIS 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008

JOHN P. WELCH, SUPERINTENDENT