

WHEREAS, despite ongoing progress, Colorado continues to experience an unacceptably high student dropout rate, academic achievement gaps between students from different racial and socioeconomic groups, and low rates of enrollment and persistence in postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, in order to address these issues, the State is actively seeking new strategies to improve public education; and

WHEREAS, studies show that when parents, families, and schools collaborate effectively, students achieve higher levels of academic performance, demonstrate better attendance and homework completion, and are less likely to drop out of school; and

WHEREAS, students from all cultural backgrounds tend to perform better academically when their parents, families, and the professionals at their schools bridge the gap between the culture at home and the classroom; and

WHEREAS, students benefit from active involvement by well-informed and engaged parents and families in their life and education; and

WHEREAS, Colorado desires to continue increasing graduation rates, academic achievement levels of all students, and raising rates of enrollment and persistence in secondary and post-secondary education;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the state of Colorado, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

FAMILY AND SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION MONTH

in the state of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the state of Colorado, this first day of October, 2021

Jared Polis Governor