SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA MONTH

WHEREAS, school library media programs are an important asset in the education of the youth of the state; and

WHEREAS, school library media programs significantly contribute to student achievement by providing instructional support resources and services; and

WHEREAS, school library media centers provide access to information in a variety of formats within the school, including access to digital resources beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, learning to become effective users of information and ideas is essential as Florida's youth prepare for a future filled with challenges and change; and

WHEREAS, promoting competencies in using new and emerging technologies is an integral part of school library media programs; and

WHEREAS, school library media programs promote literacy and the enjoyment of reading; and

WHEREAS, library media specialists are instructional partners and consultants in the teaching and learning process.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing April 2011 as School Library Media Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 16th day of March, in the year two thousand eleven.

Governor

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