



TO THE CITIZENS OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, all children in Bel Aire should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and,

WHEREAS, Bel Aire recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in Bel Aire to be successful adults; and,

WHEREAS, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Bel Aire; and,

WHEREAS, Bel Aire is home to USD 259 and USD 375, high quality public schools and Resurrection Catholic School and Sunrise Christian Academy, high quality private schools, in addition to families who educate their children in the home; and

WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and,

WHEREAS, Bel Aire has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of school settings who are committed to educating our children; and,

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options;

THEREFORE, I, Jim Benage do hereby recognize January 23 – 29, 2022 as Bel Aire School Choice Week, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.

> **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Bel Aire, Kansas this 18th day of January, 2022.

Jim Benage, Mayor	