

Proclamation

***Theatre in Our Schools Month
March 2025***

WHEREAS, Access to theatre education in our schools has been proven to provide many benefits for our children such as higher levels of empathy, emotion regulation, decision making, and a positive self-image; and

WHEREAS, Theatre education has been linked to higher levels of academic achievement, improved standardized test scores, reduction of school drop-out rates, improved attendance, and higher SAT scores; and

WHEREAS, Creating pathways for students going into arts careers helps provide them with more of a motivation to stay in school and confidently moves them toward a bright future; and

WHEREAS, Theatre education has been linked to improved listening, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Schools have drama/theatre arts teachers who work diligently to create classrooms that allow students to learn and thrive and who are involved in district, state and international theatre arts initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Chipley that, March 2025 is Theatre in Our Schools Month. We honor and support the impact of theatre education and encourage the celebration of Theatre in Our Schools Month during March 2025.

Tracy L. Andrews, Mayor

Attest:

Sherry Snell, City Clerk