

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, children's cognitive, physical, social, emotional, and language development are built on a foundation of positive interactions with adults, peers, and their environment; and

WHEREAS, the first years of a child's life are the period of rapid brain development and lay the foundation for all future learning; and

WHEREAS, high-quality early care and education help build strong developmental foundations for young children during these critical years of brain development, leading to positive outcomes for individual children and better preparing them for school and future success; and

WHEREAS, high-quality early childhood education depends on dedicated early childhood educators who, with the support of families, provide the necessary early experiences for a strong foundation;

WHEREAS, the Children's Coalition of Aransas County is working to improve early learning opportunities and provide a solid foundation for children throughout Aransas County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Ray Garza, Aransas County Judge, Kelli Cole, Mayor of the Town of Fulton, and Timothy Jayroe, Mayor of the City of Rockport, do hereby recognize that investing in educators is an investment in children, families, and our future. We proclaim the week of April 5th through April 11th, 2025 as the

Week of the Young Child

and encourage the citizens of Aransas County to express their appreciation by thanking and recognizing the teachers, and others who make a difference in the lives of young children in the Town of Fulton, City of Rockport, and throughout Aransas County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Aransas County, Town of Fulton, and the City of Rockport, Texas, to be affixed this 25th day of March 2025.

ARANSAS COUNTY

TOWN OF FULTON

CITY OF ROCKPORT

Ray Garza, County Judge

Kelli Cole, Mayor

Tim Jayroe, Mayor