



The Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the City of Meridian in conjunction with the Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (Idaho AEYC) are celebrating the Week of the Young Child™, April 1-7, 2023; and,
- WHEREAS,** this organization is working to promote and inspire high-quality early childhood experiences for our state's youngest citizens, that can provide a foundation of learning and success for children in Meridian; and,
- WHEREAS,** teachers and others who work with, or on behalf of young children from birth through age eight, make a difference in these lives and deserve thanks and recognition; and,
- WHEREAS,** public policies supporting early learning for all are crucial to young children's futures and to the prosperity of our society; and,
- WHEREAS,** this is a time to recognize the importance of children's earliest years in shaping their development and to recommit ourselves to ensuring that each and every child experiences the type of environment – at home, at child care, at school, and in the community – that will promote early learning.
- THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, proclaim April 1-7, 2023 to be

The Week of the Young Child

in the city of Meridian and encourage all citizens to work to support the efforts of Idaho AEYC and NAEYC and support and invest in early childhood in our community.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robt. E. Simison", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert E. Simison, Mayor



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