

## Proclamation

- *Whereas:* Arts for Learning Virginia, the Virginia affiliate of Young Audiences, has been a cornerstone of arts education in Virginia Beach for the past 70 years, enriching the lives of countless students and families through diverse and dynamic arts programming; and
- *Whereas:* Arts for Learning Virginia has consistently demonstrated a commitment to fostering creativity, critical thinking, and cultural awareness among our youth, ensuring that arts education remains an essential part of our community's educational fabric; and
- *Whereas:* This organization has partnered with schools, community centers, and local artists to provide equitable access to high-quality arts experiences, bridging gaps in education and empowering students of all backgrounds to explore and express their creativity; and
- *Whereas:* Arts for Learning Virginia has played a vital role in supporting the professional development of local artists and educators, helping to cultivate a vibrant cultural landscape in Virginia Beach that enhances the quality of life for all residents; and
- *Whereas:* The continued success of Arts for Learning Virginia is a testament to the dedication and vision of its leadership, staff, volunteers, and supporters, who have worked tirelessly to ensure that the arts remain a source of inspiration and growth for generations to come; and

Now, Therefore I, Robert M. "Bobby" Dyer, Mayor of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, do hereby proclaim:

## The 70th anniversary of Arts for Learning Virginia

In Virginia Beach, I call upon all citizens to recognize the 70th anniversary of Arts for Learning Virginia and celebrate the organization for its invaluable contributions to our community's cultural and educational landscape.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, to be affixed this Twenty Sixth Day of September, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Robert M. "Bobby" Dyer Mayor