

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION



Whereas, God loves us and sent His Son to be our Savior; and

Whereas, God alone works to save us from sin, death and the power of the devil; and

Whereas, God delivers that salvation to us by grace through faith because of Jesus; and

Whereas, Lutheran schools provide opportunities for teachers and students to teach and hear this Good News of God's love; and

Whereas, Jesus told His church to “make disciples of all nations”; and

Whereas, Jesus told His church to make disciples by “teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you”; and

Whereas, Faith comes through hearing the Word of God; and

Whereas, The students in Lutheran schools are disciples of Jesus through their Baptism and faith that come through hearing; and

Whereas, The teachers in Lutheran schools are also disciples through Baptism and faith; and

Whereas, Salvation by grace through faith because of Jesus comes through God's Word; and

Whereas, Lutheran schools teach the Good News of Jesus' death and resurrection for sinners; and

Whereas, Hearing and learning God's Word marks the life of each Christian; and

Whereas, Hearing and learning God's Word continues throughout a Christian's life; and

Whereas, Every Christian bears witness to Christ to his neighbors; and

Whereas, Lutheran schools strive for excellent instruction in reading, writing, arithmetic and all areas to prepare students for service in this world; and

Whereas, National Lutheran Schools Week is an occasion to encourage the church to Make Disciples for Life; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Jan. 22–28, 2023, be officially proclaimed as National Lutheran Schools Week in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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