Proclamation



NATIONAL GED DAY

SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

WHEREAS, National GED Day celebrates the work of individuals who have earned high school equivalency credentials by passing the series of four required subject tests; and

WHEREAS, created in 1942, this alternative to a traditional high school diploma can open doors to higher education, improve job prospects, and enhance personal and professional opportunities; and



WHEREAS, students who earn GEDs study and work hard to achieve this goal, demonstrating tremendous perseverance and dedication; and

WHEREAS, GED testing programs change lives and serve as a steppingstone to educational advancement, to higher wages, to higher professional accomplishments, and brighter futures; and

WHEREAS, District of Columbia residents honor high-achieving students across all eight wards who complete GED programs to benefit their own lives and to enhance the health and prosperity of the District of Columbia:



NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2024, as "NATIONAL GED DAY" in Washington, DC.