AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they'll need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

Whereas, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

Whereas, education employees, be they substitute educators, custodians, teachers, support professionals, bus drivers or librarians, work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

Whereas, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders and elected officials in a common enterprise.

Now, therefore, I,

Dr. James Sheerin

Serving as Superintendent of Randolph Township Schools, Randolph, New Jersey do hereby proclaim November 16 – 22, 2008 as the 87th annual observance of:

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

Signed this <u>15th</u> day of <u>October</u>, 2008.