



PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

PROCLAMATION

Dyslexia Awareness Month

- WHEREAS October will be celebrated annually as Dyslexia Awareness Month;
- WHEREAS the Learning Disabilities Association of Manitoba estimates 10-15 per cent of the Canadian population struggles with a learning disability. Up to 80 per cent of children with learning disabilities have difficulty learning to read;
- WHEREAS advocacy groups in Manitoba will partner with Dyslexia Canada by participating in their second annual national campaign called "Mark it Read" on October 26. Buildings and monuments will use red lights to show their support for Canadians living with dyslexia;
- WHEREAS advocacy groups such as Friends of Dyslexia and Dyslexia Champions want everyone to be confident when reading and writing;
- WHEREAS literacy outcomes are a priority for all students in Manitoba schools;
- WHEREAS Manitoba Education and Training is committed to building the awareness and skills of educators in meeting the needs of students who struggle, including those with dyslexia;
- WHEREAS Dyslexia Awareness Month acknowledges that schools, families, and communities need to better understand dyslexia and its impact on learning and well-being; and
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN THAT I, Kelvin Goertzen, Minister of Education and Training for the Province of Manitoba, do hereby proclaim October as

Dyslexia Awareness Month

in Manitoba and commend its thoughtful observances to all citizens in our province.



Kelvin Goertzen
Minister
Education and Training

