



PROCLAMATION

~IN RECOGNITION~

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S VISION AND LEARNING MONTH



WHEREAS, vision is a major part of learning and 25% of students in grades K – 6th grade have a visual problem. Statistics show that 7 out of 10 juvenile delinquents have some visual disability hindering them from achieving their educational goals; and

WHEREAS, vision problems may be present if a child avoids near work, has trouble reading, poor handwriting, skips or rereads words, poor comprehension, headaches, fatigue, short attention span and/or poor sports performance; and

WHEREAS, as the new school year approaches, many students will once more be set up for failure if their visual skills are not corrected. A child may have 20/20 vision and still have undiagnosed vision problems; and

WHEREAS, early diagnosis with a comprehensive vision exam by an optometrist followed by treatment, is key to school readiness and educational success; and

WHEREAS, Public awareness of learning related vision problems is vital to ensure the future well-being and success of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of County Commissioners of Johnson County, Kansas, does hereby proclaim the month of August, 2009, as "National Children's Vision and Learning Month," encouraging all parents to keep in mind the importance of vision in the learning process in Johnson County.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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