



# CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

## **ARCHITECTURE WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, architecture can have a positive influence on our attitudes and emotions and can help bring people together to preserve, strengthen or create a spirit of community; and

**WHEREAS**, governments, religions, industries, and families have used architecture throughout history to express elements of their philosophies, capabilities, and aspirations; and

**WHEREAS**, architects envision and create places for families to live and work in harmony with one another and the natural environment as well as preserve and enhance the quality of life for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, our Commonwealth is renowned for its rich architectural history, from the founding of Jamestown in 1607 to architect-statesman Thomas Jefferson's State Capitol to a 21st-century federal courthouse in the City of Richmond;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert F. McDonnell, do hereby recognize April 8-14, 2012 as **ARCHITECTURE WEEK** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of our citizens.



  
Governor

  
Secretary of the Commonwealth