The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 24 OF 2014

WHEREAS, the United Nations was founded in 1945, and the anniversary of the day on which the UN Charter came into force is observed each year on October 24; and

WHEREAS, the central role of the United Nations is to promote peace and security, development and human rights around the world, and is vital now more than ever; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations' 2015 Millennium Development Goals emphasizes safe and accessible education for all children; and

WHEREAS, some 58 million children of primary school age do not attend school and up to 32 million of these children are girls; and

WHEREAS, the abduction of 200 school girls in Nigeria earlier this year revealed the dangerous conditions confronting many girls as they pursue an education; and

WHEREAS, 2014 celebrates the 25th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child which requires every child's right to a safe, accessible primary school education; and

WHEREAS, there was international celebration for the awarding of the Nobel Peace prize to Malala Yousafzai of Pakistan and Kailash Satyarthi of India for their passionate and determined fight for the rights of girls to education and against the grave exploitation of children for financial gain; and

WHEREAS, the Centre County Chapter of the United Nations Association and its Council of Organizations have declared "Safe School for All" as a humanitarian concern and chose it as its theme for the 2014 United Nations Day commemoration;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim Friday, October 24, 2014 United Nations Day in Centre County, Pennsylvania.

ADOPTED this 21st day of October, 2014.

CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Steven G. Dershem, Chairmar

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ATTEST:

Timothy T. Boyde, Director Administrative Services