

## **Governors and Mayors Proclamation Template: National Mentoring Month**

Insert your state specific information to this proclamation template to send to governors and mayors to recognize National Mentoring Month.

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month brings awareness to the importance of quality mentoring that promotes healthy relationships and communication, positive self-esteem, emotional well-being, and growth of a young person and their relationships with other adults.

WHEREAS, [INSERT STATE/CITY] honors volunteer mentors who support young people by showing up for them every day and demonstrating their commitment to helping them thrive; and

WHEREAS, mentoring programs like [INSERT NAMES OF PROGRAMS IN STATE OR CITY] make our communities and our state stronger by driving impactful relationships that increase social capital for young people and provide invaluable support networks; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, mentoring programs have stepped up to fill gaps for young people and families, connecting them with resources and ensuring that mentoring relationships continue virtually to ensure that physical distancing does not mean social disconnection; and

WHEREAS, Healing-Centered Mentoring<sup>™</sup> provides a pathway to promote mental wellness, increase access to evidence-based mental wellness skills training, and reduce structural barriers to mental health services; and

WHEREAS, identity-affirming mentoring relationships have the power to create a more socially-conscious and emphatic world;

WHEREAS, mentoring plays a pivotal role in developing engaged citizens who are prepared to contribute to their communities in meaningful ways; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month is the time of year to celebrate, elevate, and encourage mentoring across our state and recruit caring adult mentors in [INSERT STATE OR CITY];







NOW, THEREFORE, I, [INSERT GOVERNOR OR MAYOR NAME], [Governor/Mayor] of [INSERT STATE OR CITY], do hereby proclaim January 2023, as National Mentoring Month in the [State/City] of [INSERT STATE OR CITY].

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