

*Office of the Mayor  
Arab, Alabama*



WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility and equality; and,

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and,

WHEREAS, education employees – be they custodians, or teachers, bus drivers or librarians – work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and,

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Frank Lee Cox, Mayor of the City of Arab, do hereby proclaim November 11-17, 2007, as the 86<sup>th</sup> annual observance of *American Education Week*.

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand seven, and caused this seal to be affixed.*

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*Frank Lee Cox, Mayor*

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_