

## PROVINCE OF MANITOBA

## PROCLAMATION

## CELEBRATING READING IN MANITOBA February 2025

**WHEREAS** The ability to read, write and communicate is empowering and contributes to individual and community well-being; **WHEREAS** Communication provides a connection to who we are and how we live together and interact with the world; **WHEREAS** People who are literate can read for many purposes and participate in society by interacting with various forms of communication; **WHEREAS** Through reading, individuals cultivate deeper understanding, empathy and respect for others by expanding their horizons and connecting to diverse cultures, experiences and perspectives; **WHEREAS** Literacy achievements and the growth of knowledge and critical thought, as supported by educators, parents, public library staff and other community champions, are worthy of notice and celebration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN THAT We, Tracy Schmidt, Acting Minister of Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning and Nellie Kennedy, Minister of Manitoba Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2025 as

## I LOVE TO READ MONTH

in Manitoba and commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our province.

Original signed by

Honourable Tracy Schmidt Acting Minister Education and Early Childhood Learning Original signed by

Honourable Nellie Kennedy Minister Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism