# Customizable Proclamation by an Elected Official

**[County Executive’s, Mayor’s, Governor’s]**

**in Support of language learning in [County, City, or State]**

WHEREAS, American jobs and exports are becoming increasingly dependent on foreign markets

WHEREAS, Americans are engaged diplomatically and militarily around the globe as never before

WHEREAS, global problems including the environment, health and disease, poverty, development and peace require international understanding and cooperation

WHEREAS, internationally American students fall far behind their peers in mastering second or third languages

WHEREAS, lack of language training is among the top impediments for small and medium American exporters

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [Name], [County Executive, Mayor, or Governor] of [county, city, or state], do hereby proclaim my full support for:

 **language learning in [County, City, or State]**

and urge everyone to support increased access to world language education for our students and all citizens.

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