

**SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-29**

RECOGNIZING THE BRICKIES FROM THE START PROGRAM

WHEREAS, National Parents as Teachers Day was started by the Parents as Teachers National Center in St. Louis, Missouri, and

WHEREAS, educators noted that children were beginning kindergarten with varying levels of school readiness, which impacted their classroom performance, and research showed that greater parent involvement is a crucial link in the child's development and ability to learn new skills, such as reading and writing; and

WHEREAS, the first Parents as Teachers Day was declared in 2001, and it was decided that the day would be celebrated by offering support to the community by spreading awareness about early childhood programs and encourages Parent Teachers Organizations and parents to come together to support children in their educational and well-being endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Brickies from the Start Program of the School City of Hobart represents the ideals of the National Parents as Teachers that is dedicated to taking a holistic approach to strengthening families; and

WHEREAS, the Brickies from the Start Program offers services to families with children from birth to kindergarten, assists children in the transition to kindergarten, strengthens families by empowering parents as their child's first and best teachers, and advocates every day for families so every child in every neighborhood can thrive; and

WHEREAS, the broad goal of the day is to prevent child abuse and neglect, increase parental knowledge of early childhood development, improve parenting practices, increase children's school readiness and success and help states develop and implement home visiting programs that improve the health and well-being of families with young children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that November 8, 2024, be celebrated as National Parents as Teachers Day; and that the Brickies from the Start Program be acknowledged for the work with families to support children from birth to kindergarten.

DATED this 16th day of October, 2024.

SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Terry D. Butler, President

ATTEST:

Sandra J. Hillan Secretary