

WHEREAS, the Eastern North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Training and Development will celebrate "Employee Learning Week" December 5 - 9, 2011;

WHEREAS, the organizations of the Eastern North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Training and Development are committed to creating a highly skilled workforce that is critical to growing and sustaining a competitive advantage;

WHEREAS, they recognize that having a knowledgeable, skilled workforce improves the * performance of those organizations;

WHEREAS, learning develops individual and organizational knowledge and expertise;

WHEREAS, the American Society for Training & Development (ASTD)—the world's largest association dedicated to the training and development field—has declared December 5-9, 2011, as "Employee Learning Week" and designated this time for organizations to recognize the value of employee learning;

WHEREAS, Workforce Development is Everyone's Business[™] and;

WHEREAS, the Eastern North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Training and Development, whose members are workplace learning and performance professionals in Greenville, Pitt County, and surrounding areas have demonstrated their commitment to developing the skills of employees and the workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, do proclaim December 5–9, 2011 as

EMPLOYEE LEARNING WEEK

in Greenville and Pitt County and hereby call upon the organizations in our community to join the Eastern North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Training and Development in supporting and participating in these events.

This 5th day of December, 2011.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor