COMMENDATION WHEREAS, one hundred thirty-two eighth grade students in four health classes at Renfroe Middle School participated in a pilot project from January – March 2011 that emphasized wellness and citizenship; and, WHEREAS, along with the Renfroe participants, thirty-three ninth grade students at Druid Hills High School were also involved in this greater DeKalb County effort; and, WHEREAS, classes and activities emphasized positive attitudes and behavior by students in public restrooms, including schools, libraries, parks, recreation centers, and swimming pool complexes; and, WHEREAS, the City Schools of Decatur - Renfroe Middle School, the City of Decatur Active Living Division, the Decatur branch of the DeKalb County Public Library System and Project CLEAN all cooperatively supported these efforts; and, WHEREAS, students used established educational approaches such as expeditionary learning, surveys, videos, and guest speakers to explore issues associated with the safety, cleanliness, and hygiene of public restrooms; and, WHEREAS, this initial project illustrates how 11-18 year old students can integrate their health curriculum, community service, and other school-based activities to enhance their wellness, pride, and citizenship. **NOW THEREFORE**, I, William F. Floyd, Mayor of the City of Decatur, the "City of Homes, Schools and Places of Worship," do hereby urge all citizens and organizations of this community to join me in extending appropriate honors and congratulations to the DECATUR YOUTH WELLNESS PROJECT on the success of their inaugural efforts to creatively involve young citizens in wellness-related activities. IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Decatur to be affixed this 2nd day of May, 2011. William F. Floyd, Mayor City of Decatur