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RESOLUTION #23-08
RECOGNIZING NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS, April 19-23, 2023, is National Environmental Education Week - the nation's largest celebration of environmental education; and,

WHEREAS, National Environmental Education Week brings together the National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), educators, students, government agencies, businesses, communities, non-profit organizations, and others to inspire and promote environmental learning and stewardship of land, air, and water; and,

WHEREAS, the more we understand our connection to the environment, the more the possibilities to influence how those connections impact our health and planet as small, individual actions add up to a big difference; and,

WHEREAS, the continuing theme for National Environmental Education Week is Greening STEAM which celebrates the many ways that people are engaging with their environment. This recurring theme encourages the delivery of high-quality Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and the Arts (STEAM) education and the use of natural environments and real-world challenges to engage learners; and,

WHEREAS, environmental education offers countless opportunities to improve lives, protect the environment, and prepare all Americans to address critical environmental challenges ahead; and,

WHEREAS, schools in Santa Cruz County recognize the central importance of environmental education, and seek to provide learning opportunities and avenues for student engagement in environmental concerns;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Santa Cruz County Board of Education does hereby celebrate National Environmental Education Week, April 19-23, and recognizes the value of STEAM education at all levels for all children, and furthermore, honors the interests and commitment of today's students in healing and protecting the environment.

Resolution #23-08 Recognizing National Environmental Education Week
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
March 16, 2023

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 16th day of March 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: **Acosta, Alto, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen**

NAYS:

ABSENT: **Filicetti**

ABSTAIN:



Bruce Van Allen, Board President
Santa Cruz County Board of Education



Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools