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RESOLUTION #25-11 IN SUPPORT OF DAY OF THE TEACHER

WHEREAS, May 14, 2025, is designated as Day of the Teacher throughout California, and the Santa Cruz County Board of Education extends appreciation to teachers and other certificated employees at the County Office of Education as well as throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, because of our outstanding teachers, the County Office of Education is well-placed to give every student the opportunity to succeed both in and outside of the classroom; and

WHEREAS, teaching is a profession that requires skill, determination, patience, and energy with teachers fulfilling many roles as motivators and mentors; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that educated community members serve as the foundation of our nation, and that teachers mold the minds and train the workforce of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, effective teaching grows in value and pays dividends far beyond the classroom and well into the future; and

WHEREAS, teaching is a vital element in a child's development with the critical factor being not curriculum nor class size, but the nature of the teaching as it affects learning; and

WHEREAS, our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education and, without teacher appreciation, there can be no student progress; and

WHEREAS, our students and other community members should be encouraged to consider meaningful and rewarding careers as teachers; and

WHEREAS, recent changes in federal policy, funding, and staffing are creating new concerns and uncertainties for students, teachers, and families;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education urges all students, parents, and the community to observe this day by taking time to honor those who give the gift of knowledge through teaching.

Resolution #25-11 In Support of Day of the Teacher Santa Cruz County Board of Education April 17, 2025

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 17th day of April 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Acosta, Estrada, Larson, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Williams

Abel Sanchez, Board President Santa Cruz County Board of Education Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary

Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools