ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION NO. 55, 2023-2024

ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK

WHEREAS, school social workers in the State of California and across the nation serve as vital members of the educational team, playing a central role in creating a positive school climate and facilitating partnerships among a student's home, school, and community to ensure academic success; and

WHEREAS, school social workers are skilled in providing services to students who face serious challenges to school success including poverty, disability, discrimination, abuse, addiction, bullying, the divorce of parents, the loss of a loved one, and other barriers to learning; and

WHEREAS, there is a growing need for local school districts and other educational agencies to address students' emotional, physical, and environmental needs so they can graduate college-, careerand life-ready; and

WHEREAS, school social workers have expertise in many areas such as mental health interventions, human growth and behavior, how family dynamics affect student achievement, child abuse and neglect, substance abuse, and community resources: and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National School Social Work Week during the week of March 3-9, 2024, highlights the vital role social workers play in the lives of students and families in the United States; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Education does hereby proclaim March 3-9, 2024, as National School Social Work Week in recognition of the contributions school social workers make in the lives of students.

Date	CHRISTOPHER R. HOFFMAN, SUPERINTENDENT and
	SECRETARY to the GOVERNING BOARD of
	ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT