ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION NO. 63, 2014-2015

JOSEPH KERR MIDDLE SCHOOL 50TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Joseph Kerr Middle School was established in 1964 in honor of Joseph Kerr, a man who was respected for his family's hard work and dedication to the children of the community of Elk Grove; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Kerr became the only "middle school" in Elk Grove when, in 1964, Elk Grove High School moved to its present campus by Elk Grove Regional Park. As a result, all seventh and eighth graders from the entire school district of 320 square miles were assigned to attend school at Joseph Kerr; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Kerr Middle School has served generations of seventh and eighth grade students in an environment that is positive, supportive and responsive to the unique needs of adolescents; and

WHEREAS, The school has consistently provided students with strong subject matter preparation, while instilling within each one a high level of academic expectation, a sense of community, and a strong foundation for high school and post-secondary options; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Kerr Middle School continues to recognize academic excellence through its Renaissance, Honors and Enrichment Programs and Silver K Honor Society, which have been and continue to be models for other curricular and recognition programs throughout the district; and

WHEREAS, Because of its dedication to its mission to successfully educate the children of Elk Grove, Joseph Kerr Middle School is poised to serve the new generations of students in the Elk Grove Unified School District;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the Elk Grove Unified School District, hereby declares and proclaims that Joseph Kerr Middle School be recognized as it celebrates its 50th Anniversary.