AFFIRMATION OF FEBRUARY AS AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, African-American History Month permits society and schools to celebrate the achievements of African-Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Elk Grove Unified School District recognizes that each student needs an opportunity to understand the common humanity underlying all people; to develop pride in his or her own identity and heritage; and to understand, respect, and accept the identity and heritage of others;

WHEREAS, this observance permits society to re-examine its role in preserving the Civil Rights of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, corresponding school activities held during this month encourage students to continue to strive for the best education as a means to fulfill their potential; and

WHEREAS, achievements of African-Americans have benefited all mankind; and

WHEREAS, the History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve, states that the history curriculum of community, state, region, nation, and world must reflect the experiences of men and women and of different racial, religious, and ethnic groups and must be integrated at every level;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of the Elk Grove Unified School District that February be designated African-American History Month.

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Board of Education