## ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 35, 2018-2019

## AFFIRMATION OF FEBRUARY AS AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

**WHEREAS**, African American History Month encourages 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**, not only during the month of February 2019, but throughout the school year, it is important to recognize the contributions of African Americans in society and to recognize disparities in student outcomes in order to move towards greater equity in our education system and the greater community;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Board of the Elk Grove Unified School District that February 2019 be designated African American History Month.

Christopher R. Hoffman
Superintendent and Secretary to the
Board of Education