WHEREAS, children are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their health needs safely met while in the school setting; and

WHEREAS, children today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are professional public health nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and providing a critical safety net for our district’s most fragile children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents, and health care providers on behalf of children’s health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our district’s children; and

WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care when children’s cognitive development is at its peak; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are members of school-based mental health teams; and

WHEREAS, school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Elk Grove Unified District Board of Education encourages all district students and staff to observe May 8, 2019 as National School Nurse Day, to acknowledge the accomplishments of school nurses and their efforts of meeting the needs of today’s students by improving the delivery of health care in our schools, and to offer gratitude for school nurses, who contribute to our local community by helping every student stay healthy, in school, and ready to learn in every classroom, in every subject, every day.

Date: __________________________

Chet Madison, Sr., President, Board of Education

Date: __________________________

Beth Albiani, Clerk, Board of Education