## ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 45, 2017-2018

## 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 humankind; and

**WHEREAS,** not only during the month of February 2018, 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 2018 be designated African-American History Month.

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