## ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 32, 2020-2021

## ESTABLISHMENT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**WHEREAS**, African American/Black History Month encourages society and schools to celebrate the achievements of Black/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; and

**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 Black/African Americans have benefited all mankind; and

**WHEREAS**, not only during the month of February 2021, but throughout the school year, it is important to recognize the contributions of Black/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 2021 be designated African American/Black History Month.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Governing Board of the Elk Grove Unified School District acknowledges that all black lives matter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be distributed to all schools in the district.

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