SACRAMENTO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NO. 11-04

Designating April as Public Schools Month

WHEREAS, Public Schools Month is observed during April, and the event is designed to promote mutual respect and understanding of the public education system; and

WHEREAS, public schools are responsible not only for sound instructional programs that prepare and equip our youth to live productive lives as adults but also for instilling in our children a love of freedom and appreciation for the benefits of living in a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, concern for the common good and well-being of all citizens is one of the highest virtues of American democracy, and generations ago our ancestors recognized the importance of this virtue by creating the public school system; and

WHEREAS, American public schools have educated and, thereby, enabled the nation's youth to participate in and contribute to their own version of the American dream; and

WHEREAS, public schools employ many hard working and dedicated classified and certificated employees, as well as administrative personnel, and are vital partners with business, industry, and labor in training America's workforce; and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Board of Education urges everyone to work with local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children's education; and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Board of Education acts in the interest of the welfare of the children of our community and strives to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sacramento County Board of Education hereby recognizes April 2011 as Public Schools Month and urges communities and educational institutions to appropriately celebrate the efforts of teachers and other certificated employees, administrators, classified employees, volunteers and – most importantly – students of the public school system.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of March 2011 by the Sacramento County Board of Education, Sacramento County, California.