

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF  
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10  
OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA,  
RECOGNIZING THE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS  
OF EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL**

**WHEREAS**, the Amphitheater Unified School District (“the District”) exists for the purpose of providing a free public education to Arizona children;

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board is charged with the supervision and governance of the District, including the authority to employ persons necessary to carry out the functions of the District;

**WHEREAS**, the provision of education to District students is dependent upon the efforts of many staff, including Educational Support Staff, sometimes also known as Classified Staff (“Support Staff”);

**WHEREAS**, the import and value of the efforts and contributions made by Support Staff to the high quality of services provided to students in the Amphitheater District should never be taken for granted nor discounted;

**WHEREAS**, those efforts and contributions are present every day in every school and facility throughout the District, with just some examples being those of the teacher’s aide who provides the additional and individual attention to an individual child’s learning which drives the teacher’s lesson home; the bookstore manager who facilitates aspects of both the instructional and extracurricular program for students; the campus monitor whose prescient eye maintains the safety of the school campus; and the mechanic who ensures that each school bus safely carries its precious cargo.

**WHEREAS**, since 2008 and through the current school year, the Arizona State Legislature has dramatically cut more than \$56 million from the Amphitheater School District budget to date, and has recently taken further action to cut an additional \$2.5 million;

**WHEREAS**, a recent budget proposed by Governor Ducey included conditions which suggested the value of support staff not included in the definition of “classroom spending” was less than that of staff who are included in that definition;

**WHEREAS**, despite the substantial negative impacts caused by such budget cuts and insults, District Support Staff nonetheless remain more committed and dedicated – and certainly *more* valuable -- than ever in their services to students, parents and community;

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board sincerely believes that the appreciation of all school district staff should be ongoing and not limited to one day per year, but yet also recognizes the importance of focusing public attention on the efforts of educational personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, the focus and attention of the public can be maximized by coordination of District recognition activities for all Support Staff with those occurring nationally for school administrative assistants;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Amphitheater Unified School District Governing Board that the District hereby recognizes the special everyday contributions of every Support employee of the District and sets apart Wednesday, April 22, 2015 as “Educational Support Staff Appreciation Day” in the District.

The Governing Board invites other school district governing boards to join them in this celebration of the special contributions of school district support staff.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Governing Board this 7th day of April, 2015.

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