## 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 requires the efforts of many people, including those who serve as educational support personnel (Support Staff), sometimes also known as Classified Staff;

**WHEREAS,** the District recognizes the essential contributions Support Staff provide to the high-quality services provided to students in Amphitheater schools; and

**WHEREAS**, these important Support Staff personnel are, in a typical year, often the first people Amphitheater students encounter each and every day—the people who drive the bus, help students cross the street, provide children with nutritious meals, greet families, staff and guests at schools and in center offices, keep our buildings and grounds clean, and safe and help our students be healthy and successful;

**WHEREAS,** in the year 2020, a global pandemic called COVID-19 caused school buildings to close while educational services continued, Support Staff were called upon to provide services to students and staff in new and unprecedented ways—even to take on new roles and re-assignments; and

**WHEREAS,** Support Staff throughout the District took on these responsibilities with dedication, care and patience; and

**WHEREAS**, the date of April 22, 2020 has been set aside nationally to recognize administrative assistants, one part of the District's Support Staff; and

**WHEREAS,** the Governing Board believes in ongoing appreciation of all Support Staff - indeed all school District staff -- and that recognition need not be limited to one day per year, it also recognizes the value in setting aside a specific date to express appreciation and to focus public attention on the efforts of educational personnel; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Amphitheater Unified School District Governing Board, that the District hereby recognize the special everyday contributions of every Support Staff employee of the District, and sets apart Wednesday, April 22, 2020 as "Educational Support Staff Appreciation Day" in the District.

The Amphitheater 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

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