

WHEREAS, an excellent public education system is vital to the quality of life for all California citizens and communities; and

WHEREAS, our public education system has faced unprecedented circumstances these past three years; and

WHEREAS, our local Board of Education continues to act to ensure children's academic, social-emotional, physical and mental health needs are met at a time when students needed consistent services most; and

WHEREAS, Board of Education members continue to advocate to best serve the children in our community each and every day; and

WHEREAS, local Board of Education members are committed to children and believe that all children can be successful learners and that the best education is tailored to the individual needs of the child; and

WHEREAS, Board of Education members work closely with parents, educational professionals and other community members to create the healthiest environments possible where all students can thrive; and

WHEREAS, Board of Education members are responsible for building and maintaining the structure that provides a solid foundation for our school system; and

WHEREAS, Board of Education members are strong advocates for public education and are responsible for communicating the needs of the school district to the public and the public's expectations to the district; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the public schools to meet the diverse educational needs of all children and to empower them to become competent, productive contributors to a democratic society and an ever-changing world is more poignant than ever before;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Lucy Van Scyoc, Superintendent and the District Administration, do hereby declare our appreciation to the members of the Board of Education and proclaim the month of January 2024, as School Board Recognition Month in the Tulare Joint Union High School District. I urge all community members to join me in recognizing the dedication and hard work of local school board members and in working with them to create an education system that meets the needs of our children.