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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Recognizing the Day of the
Special Educator, as December 2, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 43 (FCBE)
Resolution No. 2024 - 72 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, On December 2, 1975, President Gerald Ford signed into effect the Nation's first special education law. Before this time, many students were denied access to public education and opportunities to learn. Even though it is difficult to imagine, states had laws excluding many students from accessing public education, including children who were deaf, blind emotionally disturbed, intellectually disabled or had some type of disability.

This all changed when Public Law 94-142 – then know as the Education for All Handicapped Children Act – was signed into law by President Ford. This law is now known as the individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), which requires school districts to provide a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) to all children with disabilities.

Therefore, the Fresno County Board of Education does hereby proclaim December 2, 2024, the Day of the Special Educator in the County of Fresno and commend observance to all of our citizens

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools do hereby recognize December 2, 2024, as the Day of the Special Educator and encourage all Fresno County School Districts to participate with appropriate activities and curriculum on this day and throughout the year.

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of November 21, 2024, by the following votes:

President James Martinez:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Allen Clyde:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Marcy Masumoto:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>

James Martinez, President

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by her signature hereunder:

Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent

Date: 11/21/24

CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By:  _____

Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher
Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the
Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 11/21/24