WHEREAS, teachers demonstrate and share their love of learning in the classroom every day, and act as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators and mentors; and, by doing so, are partners with parents and the community in inspiring students’ dreams and laying the foundation for them to be good citizens; and

WHEREAS, the success of more than 250,000 students in Santa Clara County depends on the skills, knowledge, encouragement and attitudes of dedicated teachers, and teachers work collaboratively with their Boards of Education, Superintendents, colleagues, parents and others in support of society’s commitment to quality education for all youth; and

WHEREAS, teachers at the Santa Clara County Office of Education, in particular, educate and motivate students who have special needs that require unique skills, or students who have not succeeded in other educational settings, and teachers at the Santa Clara County Office of Education have made a crucial difference in the lives of students, and are true champions for children, schools and community; and

WHEREAS, California Education Code §37222 designates the second Wednesday in May as the Day of the Teacher in recognition of the dedicated professionals entrusted with fulfilling the mission of education to prepare our students for the future; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Board of Education recognizes that the quality of all students’ educational experiences depends significantly and vitally upon the quality of their teachers, because the influence of a good teacher continues long after school days are only memories:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools acknowledge the contributions of all dedicated teachers, and recognize May 10, 2017 as the Day of the Teacher; and, moreover, urge parents, students and the community to publicly show their appreciation for teachers and their contributions that improve our daily lives, our community and our futures.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on April 19, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES: President Chang, Vice President Kamei, members Di Salvo, Rossi, Mah and Song

NOES: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: member Green

Dr. Michael Chang, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education

Jon R. Gundry
County Superintendent of Schools