PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS: Oregonians rely on public education to ensure a prosperous quality of life and strong

economic health for Oregon; and

WHEREAS: Locally elected boards fulfill leadership roles and serve as the conduit through which teachers,

parents, businesses and communities demonstrate the care, creativity and support that lead to

student achievement; and

WHEREAS: Public schools nurture and train diverse student populations to the best of their ability,

whatever the resources, to give students the knowledge, skills and opportunities they need to

succeed; and

WHEREAS: Board members build the framework that makes it possible for education organizations to

teach Oregon's children; and

WHEREAS: We thank the committed community members who serve on the boards of Oregon's 197

school districts, 19 education service districts and 17 community colleges for their dedication

to the educational needs of Oregonians.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim **January 2024** to be

SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, January 9, 2024.

Tina Kotek, Governor

LaVonne Griffin-Valade, Secretary of State

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