PROCLAMATION

Earth Week

April 17th through April 24th, 2017

WHEREAS, humankind is currently facing tremendous global challenges affecting every community, including large-scale migration, extreme inequality and poverty, degradation of ecosystems, mass extinction of species, and global climate change; and

WHEREAS, all people of this Earth, no matter their race, gender, income, sexual orientation, or national origin, have a right to a healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, the youth of the world are our most valuable resource and represent a source of endless creativity and potential; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the citizens of our global community to develop green jobs and to build an innovative and equitable green economy to combat the aforementioned global challenges; and

WHEREAS, expanding environmental education and climate literacy is vital to enhance awareness about the environment, inform decision-making, and protect future generations; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that sustainability will only be achieved by meeting the needs of the present without compromising the needs of future generations; and

WHEREAS, it is more important than ever to act locally and to cooperate internationally and defend the environmental progress that has been heretofore gained; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to expand and diversify the global environmental movement to achieve maximum progress; and

WHEREAS, Earth Week is an annual reminder of the constant need for environmental activism, stewardship commitments, and sustainability efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, AUSD has the honor of proclaiming April 17-24, 2017 as Earth Week.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2017.

AYES: ______MEMBERS: _____
NOES: _____MEMBERS: _____
ABSENT: _____MEMBERS: _____

Gary K. Lym, President
Board of Education
Alameda Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California

ATTEST:
By: ______

Sean McPhetridge, Secretary Board of Education Alameda Unified School District Alameda County, State of California