## BEFORE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

## **PROCLAMATION**

## National School Bus Safety Week

October 21 - 25, 2024

**Whereas,** the yellow school bus is among the most recognized icons of American schools and society; and

Whereas, school bus drivers travel thousands of miles each school year, navigating rural roads, neighborhood streets, and multi-lane highways to deliver students to their schools and homes safely; and

Whereas, school bus drivers meet higher qualification, training, and testing standards than any other drivers on the road; and

**Whereas,** National School Bus Safety Week, which dates back to 1966, recognizes the hard work and dedication of school transportation personnel, especially the many school bus drivers who ensure a safe journey each and every day:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lodi Unified Board of Education joins the nation in proclaiming the third full week in October as National School Bus Safety Week, and encourages all citizens to join us in recognizing the hard work and dedication of school transportation professionals, the excellent safety record of school bus drivers, the benefits of school bus driver training, the importance of students obeying safety rules at all times, and the need for heightened vigilance on the part of all vehicle drivers when in the vicinity of school buses.

Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024,



**Gary Knackstedt** 

President, Board of Education Lodi Unified School District

