SECRETARY OF STATE
RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING
CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS

WHEREAS, the California Secretary of State, who serves as the state's Chief Election Official, is committed to strengthening democracy by encouraging voter registration and increasing participation in all elections by all eligible Californians; and

WHEREAS, the youth in California play a critical role in our democracy by helping to choose the people who will lead us and by voicing their opinions on the issues that are important to them; and

WHEREAS, eligible 16- and 17-year olds can pre-register to vote and then automatically become active voters once they turn 18; and

WHEREAS, high schools in California are encouraged to offer pre-registration and voter registration opportunities to eligible students by providing access to the state voter registration application online or a physical document through the school website or other electronic communications; and

WHEREAS, high school administrators are also encouraged to select one or more students to serve as voter outreach coordinators to support student voter registration during High School Voter Education Weeks; and

WHEREAS, students are encouraged to participate in the democratic process through voter education programs, becoming a poll worker and by inviting peers, family members, and the community to register to vote and get involved in civic engagement activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D., encourage all California High Schools to participate in CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS, September 19-30, 2022.