

**FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RESOLUTION 2017-11:**

**HONORING AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

WHEREAS, public education in Fairbanks dates from 1904; and

WHEREAS, a strong system of public education has created opportunity for generations of citizens to recognize their abilities and realize their potential; and

WHEREAS, American Education Week presents the citizens of Interior Alaska with a wonderful opportunity to celebrate public education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that every child receives an excellent and equitable education; and

WHEREAS, public support of education is as important today as it was in 1919 when American Education Week was first established; and

WHEREAS, many influential organizations, including the National Education Association, the Parent Teacher Association, the American Association of School Boards, and the U.S. Department of Education, lend their support to this recognition; and

WHEREAS, a national education week is for the "purpose of informing the public of the accomplishments and needs of the public schools and to secure the cooperation and support of the public in meeting those needs"; and

WHEREAS, the educators, parents, and community partners who guide our children through the many milestones of learning deserve our highest admiration, respect, and support for investing in young people's futures; and

WHEREAS, we all have a stake in public education, and we all have a role to play;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education proclaims the week of November 14-18, 2016 American Education Week and encourages schools to celebrate their excellence in education by hosting kickoff events and activities, inviting parents into the classroom for a firsthand look at their children's school day, recognizing support staff and substitute educators for all they do, and inviting agency partners and current community leaders into our schools to join educators and support staff as they educate the future leaders of our community.

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ATTEST:



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