WHEREAS, the safety, health and welfare of all students and staff in Marin County schools are of highest concern and priority; and

WHEREAS, Marin County is transversed by the San Andreas, North Hayward and Rodgers Creek earthquake faults and has experienced moderate to severe shaking in the past and is likely to continue to experience earthquakes of damaging intensities in the future; and

WHEREAS, loss of life and property can be greatly reduced if appropriate earthquake preparedness measures are taken before, during, and after a quake; and

WHEREAS, with the assistance of Federal agencies, the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, the Marin County Office of Emergency Services, volunteer agencies and private businesses, the Marin County Office of Education provides leadership through coordinating communications and information to educate both the Marin County school community and the community at large by providing procedures in earthquake and emergency preparedness drills and by disseminating printed educational materials and online resources; and

WHEREAS these measures presented in the Marin County schools are designed to increase student, staff and public awareness about proper procedures to follow before, during and after an earthquake to prevent unnecessary property damage, injury, and death; and

WHEREAS this important earthquake safety information should be studied and practiced not only in April, but throughout the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the month of April 2015, is hereby proclaimed School Earthquake Preparedness Month and the Marin County Office of Education will continue to work closely with both the school community and the community at large in partnership with public and private agencies to provide appropriate earthquake safety and emergency preparedness information.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Marin County Board of Education at a regular meeting held on the 10th day of March, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

(SEAL)

CURTIS. F. ROBINSON, M.D., President
Marin County Board of Education

ATTEST:

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MARY JANE BURKE, Secretary
Marin County Board of Education and
Marin County Superintendent of Schools