

State of California

SECRETARY OF STATE

RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING

CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS

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

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

WHEREAS, *high schools are encouraged to offer voter registration to eligible students with either paper registration applications and links to the state's online voter registration application through the school website or other electronic communications; and*

WHEREAS, *high school administrators are encouraged to name one or more students as voter outreach coordinators to encourage student voter registration during High School Voter Education Weeks; and*

WHEREAS, *students are encouraged to participate in our democracy through civics and voter education programs, volunteering as poll workers, and by encouraging their peers, family members, and community to register to vote and participate in elections; now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED, *that I, Secretary of State Alex Padilla, encourage all California High Schools to participate in CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS*
April 20-30, 2020.

Subscribed this 17th day of April 2020



Alex Padilla
Secretary of State

