WHEREAS, education support professionals are classified school employees—including paraeducators, clerical assistants, school bus drivers, custodians, food service workers, technicians, school nurses, security professionals, and others—who play a vital role in the lives of Utah public school students and provide essential services to Utah's public schools; and

WHEREAS, as an integral part of the public education system, education support professionals promote student achievement, ensure student safety, and contribute to the establishment and promotion of a positive instructional environment; and

WHEREAS, educational support professionals strive for excellence in all areas relative to the education community; and

WHEREAS, more than 3,000 Education Support Professionals take care of students every day, making sure they have the tools they need to succeed in school; and

WHEREAS, these individuals epitomize the generosity and community spirit of the people of Utah,

Now therefore,

we, as members of the Granite School District Board of Education, do proclaim Wednesday, November 16, 2016, as

National Education Support Professionals Day

And hereby recognize and acknowledge the importance of Education Support Professionals in each of the Granite District schools.

Signed this 1st day of November 2016.

Terry H. Bawden, President, Board of Education

Dr. Martin W. Bates, Superintendent