



**STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

As we continue to face the unprecedented challenges presented by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the importance of ensuring a better tomorrow by securing our young peoples' bright and precious futures has never been greater.

This year has brought the indispensable value of education into sharp focus as school districts across Texas continue to dedicate time and resources to ensure Texas students receive the best education possible regardless of the circumstances. Though we have encountered many new trials, the fact remains that a rigorous and well-rounded education serves as the best foundation upon which young Texans can build successful lives out of their dreams.

School boards play a vital role in our efforts to improve education in the Lone Star State. Across Texas, dedicated school boards work with parents, educators, and community members to create successful learning environments. Our school boards have also been instrumental in our state's educational response to COVID-19 by leading their districts in implementing safety measures, coordinating and facilitating online learning, and providing support to administrative staff, teachers, parents, and students.

While school districts will always face new challenges as they serve the needs of students, Texans can count on their school board members, along with other dedicated school officials, to weather these trials, create opportunities to discuss important issues, develop innovative solutions, and empower educators while remaining focused on their students' futures.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to join in recognizing and celebrating the work and success of our many school board members across Texas, and to remember that the children we nurture today will become the leaders of our state and nation tomorrow.

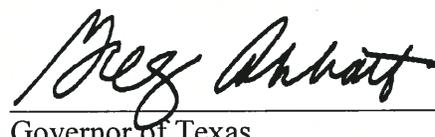
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim January 2021 to be

School Board Recognition Month



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 14th day of December, 2020.


Governor of Texas