

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-139

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELK GROVE RAISING
PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE IMMINENT HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS
FOR BULLIED CHILDREN**

WHEREAS, cities throughout the State of California are becoming more aware of the growing trend of bullying in schools, and on the Internet, that has become a serious nationwide problem, one with often serious consequences; and

WHEREAS, statistics show that as many as 40 percent of the nation's youth have been victims of bullying, and that the vast majority of these incidents go unreported to schools, law enforcement, or parents; and

WHEREAS, the social media network has vastly increased the number of users online and young people are eager to participate without always understanding the consequences of their behavior; and

WHEREAS, school bullying statistics surveys show that 77 percent of students are bullied mentally, verbally, and physically, and cyber-bullying statistics are rapidly approaching similar numbers; and

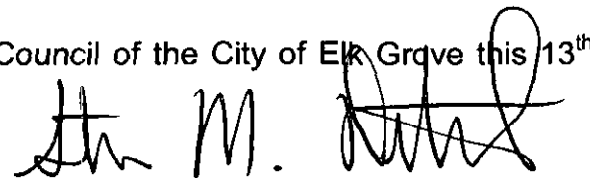
WHEREAS, adolescence can be a difficult time for some youth, and online commentary and illustrations of day-to-day choices only increases the scrutiny of personal lifestyle decisions; and

WHEREAS, general bullying and cyber-bullying have both caused severe damage, heartache, and even fatal tragedy to young people and their families and friends; and

WHEREAS, the City of Elk Grove is in support of cities taking a stance against bullying and raising education and awareness about anti-bullying efforts throughout the State of California to provide a better life and foundation for young people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove hereby adopts this anti-bullying resolution to raise public awareness about the imminent health and safety concerns for bullied children.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove this 13th day of July 2011.



STEVEN M. DETRICK, MAYOR of the
CITY OF ELK GROVE

ATTEST:



JASON LINDGREN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



SUSAN COCHRAN, CITY ATTORNEY

**CERTIFICATION
ELK GROVE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2011-139**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO) ss
CITY OF ELK GROVE)

I, Jason Lindgren, City Clerk of the City of Elk Grove, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Elk Grove at a regular meeting of said Council held on July 13, 2011 by the following vote:

AYES : **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Detrick, Cooper, Davis, Hume*

NOES: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSTAIN : **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *None*

ABSENT: **COUNCILMEMBERS:** *Scherman*


**Jason Lindgren, City Clerk
City of Elk Grove, California**