WHEREAS, the Worldwide Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons has long championed the need and responsibility of a lifelong and 'virtuous education'; and

WHEREAS, Albert Pike Masonic Lodge No. 303, in Wichita, Kansas, in continuing its dedication to the community and public schools, has set out to distinguish Wichita's finest educators in the selection and promotion of the Albert Pike Lodge – Teacher of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, our teachers keep democracy alive by laying the foundation for citizenship and demonstrate to the community and the world their commitment to our future; and

WHEREAS, the selection committee, comprised of men and women from various backgrounds and vocations have unanimously selected Kimme Whittemore for her dedication in teaching Music students at Jardine STEM and Career Explorations Academy School, USD 259.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Richard Ranzau, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2015 as

KIMME WHITTEMORE DAY

In recognition of her service to this county, the Wichita Public School District, Jardine STEM and Career Explorations Academy School and the many students and peer faculty that she has impacted through her dedication and fortitude in the discharge of her duties; in commendation of the qualities, capabilities and commitment that she brings to promote academic excellence in building internally motivated confidence and teaching self-reliance to her students and all those around her.

April 22, 2015