April 10, 2018

The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell Chairman, Assembly Education Committee State Capitol, Room 2196 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 2498 (Eggman) School employees: School Social Worker Pilot Program – SUPPORT

Dear Chairman O'Donnell,

On behalf of the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, I write in support of AB 2498 (Eggman), which would establish a pilot program to expand the number of school social workers in Shasta County.

This bill would establish a pilot program to provide a multiyear grant to a school district to fund a social worker for schools that either have a higher pupil dropout and absenteeism rate than the state average or a higher than average percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-price meals. This grant program will help ensure that all Shasta County students receive a quality education that effectively prepares them for high school graduation and success in their future academic or professional endeavors.

For these reasons, Shasta County is pleased to support AB 2498 and would like to respectfully request your aye vote when this bill is heard before your committee.

Sincerely,

Les Baugh, Chairman Shasta County Board of Supervisors

CC: Assemblymember Susan Eggman, 13th Assembly District Members and Consultants, Assembly Education Committee Shasta County State Legislative Delegation