Whereas, God loves us and sent His Son to be our peace through His death and resurrection; and

Whereas, Jesus Christ is “before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church” (Col. 1:17–18); and

Whereas, “He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead” (Col. 1:18); and

Whereas, Lutheran schools teach children the wonders of the creation; and

Whereas, “By him all things were created” (Col. 1:16); and

Whereas, Lutheran schools teach the Word of God, especially the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, Through Jesus, God reconciled “to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross” (Col. 1:20); and

Whereas, In all things, Christ is the focus of Lutheran schools; and

Whereas, During National Lutheran Schools Week, we rejoice that by God’s grace Christ is “in all things”; therefore be it


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