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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Regarding Commitment to  
Fight Racism and Discrimination

Resolution No. 2021 - 15 (FCBE)  
Resolution No. 2021 - 26 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools ("County Superintendent") and the Fresno County Board of Education ("County Board") are committed to providing equal opportunity for all individuals in education; and

WHEREAS, the mission statement of the County Superintendent and the County Board states that we "believe all students, whatever their circumstances or abilities, deserve the best education possible" and that we "strive to positively impact our community through the power of education because we believe the future starts in our classrooms"; and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent and the County Board value the different cultures and ethnicities of the Fresno County K-12 students;

Fresno County's diverse ethnicities are represented in K-12 students as follows:

5% - African American, 9% - Asian, 65% - Hispanic/Latino, 16% - White and 5% - Other

Languages spoken: All 49 non-English languages for which the California Department of Education ("CDE") collects data are spoken by students in Fresno County, with 131 students speaking languages that are not tracked by CDE.

WHEREAS, recent racially charged incidents have deeply hurt many of our students and others in our communities; and

WHEREAS, basic human decency requires a respect and acceptance for people of all backgrounds, and the motto of the United States of America is "E pluribus unum," meaning "Out of many one"; and

WHEREAS, America's professed values include a commitment to liberty, equality and justice for all — values the country has often failed to reach but should never stop striving to attain; and

WHEREAS, America's diversity is a source of strength and prosperity and California's vibrant communities benefit from cultural contributions made by people of every ancestry; and

WHEREAS, schools are the cornerstones of communities, and educators play a powerful and influential role in developing, shaping, and changing people's perceptions, and fostering cultural acceptance; and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent and the County Board continue to take an unwavering stand against racism in all forms and believe it is essential to have nurturing learning environments, both inside and outside the classroom, where every student has equitable access and opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent and the County Board are committed to serving all of the students in Fresno County by providing resources and guidance to school districts and charter schools to help educators and students combat and dissolve institutional and systematic racism and discrimination throughout our educational system in Fresno County; and

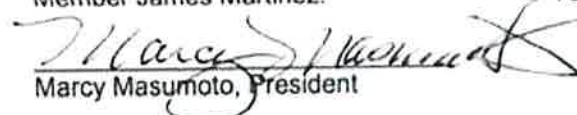
WHEREAS, the County Superintendent and the County Board value the different cultures and ethnicities of the education workforce and further our commitment to inclusive working environments where each person is treated with respect, dignity, and without prejudice or bias; and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent and the County Board calls upon parents, educators, leaders, and all community members to help our children understand racial differences, identify and recognize biases, and to teach our youth how to speak up against injustice, racism, discrimination, and inequality; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools reaffirm their commitments to fighting racism and discrimination in all of its forms through a safe, equitable, and high-quality holistic education that includes ethnic studies curriculum for all students and an inclusive working environment for all employees.

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of May 20, 2021 by the following votes:

President Marcy Masumoto:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Member Allen Clyde:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>
Member James Martinez:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>

  
Marcy Masumoto, President

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by his signature hereunder:

  
Jim A. Yovino, Superintendent

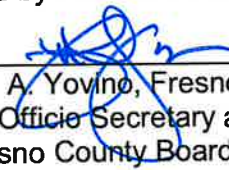
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CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Jim A. Yovino, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools  
Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the  
Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 5/20/21

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