

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY U.S.A.**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No. 2437-1**

**WHEREAS**, April 19, 2024, is Education and Sharing Day U.S.A., an annual recognition celebrating role models, mentors, and leaders who devote themselves to the progress and success of each new generation; and

**WHEREAS**, the day was established in 1978 by a joint Congressional resolution, signed into law by President Jimmy Carter on April 18, 1978, coinciding with the birthday of the renowned Jewish leader, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson dedicated his life to the cause of education and advocated for every child to receive a quality education; and

**WHEREAS**, the President, Governors, State Legislators, and educational entities throughout the country acknowledge this day by sharing the value of instruction in and out of the classroom, and the impact it has on society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) has historically celebrated Education and Sharing Day U.S.A. in conjunction with Legislative Action Days; and

**WHEREAS**, during Legislative Action Days, ACSA staff provide members with guidance on current educational issues to directly lobby the legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 400 education leaders throughout the state have joined ACSA and brought their regional teams to Sacramento to advocate for California's 6.2 million students; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is committed to improving student equity and access to high-quality education, providing quality support to districts, schools, students, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCCOE's Educational Progress Division works to ensure that the diverse needs of the students of Santa Clara County are met through accountability, assessment, and inclusionary practices; and

**WHEREAS**, through the creation of resources such as the Ways 2 Equity Playbook, the Educational Progress Division supports the SCCOE's goal to build a culture that promotes equity, inclusion, belonging, and valuing every student; and

**WHEREAS**, additional resources provided by the SCCOE such as the My Name My Identity Toolkit designed in partnership with the National Association for Bilingual Education, further promote inclusion by bringing awareness to valuing students' cultures and languages; and

**WHEREAS**, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, emphasized the value of families, schools, and religious and other civic institutions in nurturing our children; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCCOE recognizes that access to early education has a direct impact on student success; and

**WHEREAS**, in collaboration with school districts and early learning partners, the SCCOE's Steps to Success campaign seeks to raise public awareness and increase enrollment and attendance in early learning programs in Santa Clara County thereby ensuring every child in the county has a strong foundation for success in life; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution recognizing Education and Sharing Day U.S.A. on April 19, 2024, and celebrate the contributions of educators, today and throughout history.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on March 20, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: President Berta, Vice President Rocha, and Trustees Chon, Di Salvo, Lari, Mah, and Sreekrishnan

NOES: none

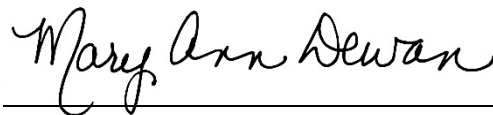
ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: none



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Maimona Afzal Berta, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education



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Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.  
County Superintendent of Schools