

RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING THE VIOLENT, SEDITIOUS ACTIONS AT OUR NATIONAL CAPITOL SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NO. 2274-1

WHEREAS, On January 6, 2021, our nation witnessed violent, seditious actions by a mob who overtook our Nation's Capitol, impeding the critical work of the Congress and causing destruction, violence and death; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Board of Education supports the essential democratic tenets of orderly and peaceful transition of power and the ability of the Congress to conduct its business that is essential to our democracy; and

WHEREAS, we denounce racism and white supremacy in all forms; and

WHEREAS, it was horrific to witness domestic terrorism at the United States Capitol, and for these acts to be incited and broadcast live around the globe which places democracy in danger around the world; and

WHEREAS, a rich and vibrant democracy that is characterized by vigorous and passionate debate, peaceful assembly, and work toward shared solutions are the legacy of our founders and a vision worthy of continued work toward attainment, despite the vile and repugnant actions of the mob that assaulted the Capitol and our most sacred institutions; and

WHEREAS, as a County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools, we believe firmly in the importance of continuing to model for our students what leading with integrity, collaboration, ethics, respect, equity, and anti-racism looks like; and

WHEREAS, these actions serve as a reminder of the dire need for Ethnic Studies, Youth Civic Engagement and more to develop anti-racist consciousness with and for our youth and to prepare our youth to engage civically;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools do hereby condemn the actions perpetrated on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 against the United States of America, the United States Congress and the Constitution of the United States and urge action to preserve our democracy and uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and affirm our oath of office to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of California.



PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on January 13, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: President Rossi, Vice President King, Trustees Di Salvo, Kamei, Mah, Ortiz and Chon

NOES: none ABSTAIN: none ABSENT: none

Claudia Rossi, President

Santa Clara County Board of Education

Mary(Ann Dewan, Ph.D.

County Superintendent of Schools

Santa Clara County Office of Education