

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 17TH AS THE NATIONAL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA) FOUNDER'S DAY

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2313-1

WHEREAS, February 17th is the Founder's Day of the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) with the first chartered association establishing in 1897 in the state of New York; and

WHEREAS, California chartered its Parent Teacher Association (PTA) in 1902; and

WHEREAS, Founder's Day celebrates the legacy and work of the founders of the PTA - Alice McLellan Birney, Phoebe Apperson Hearst and Selena Sloan Butler. The original mission of the PTA was to better the lives of every child in education, health and safety; and

WHEREAS, today the PTA is chartered in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Europe, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Clara is represented by the California Sixth District PTA, chartered on February 9, 1916, is among the 28 PTA districts in the state of California; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the California Sixth District PTA is to positively impact the lives of all children and families

WHEREAS, the Sixth District PTA, encompasses Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties. Sixth District PTA serves approximately 225 PTA Units, with the majority being the nine PTA councils, councils which include. Most of our Units are in our nine PTA councils -- Cupertino-Fremont-Sunnyvale, Evergreen, Los Altos Mountain View, Milpitas Unified, Monterey Bay, North Valley, Palo Alto, San José Unified, and Santa Clara Unified; and

WHEREAS, Parent Teacher Associations are committed to being a powerful voice for all children, being a relevant resource for parents, and being a strong advocate for public education; and

WHEREAS, the County Office of Education facilitates and supports districts in the development of equitable parent leadership and voice that meaningfully contributes to district and school governance and the academic growth of all students; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution to honor February 17th as Founder's Day for the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on February 1, 2023, by the following vote:

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

NOES: none ABSTAIN: none ABSENT: none

Victoria Chon, President

Santa Clara County Board of Education

Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.

County Superintendent of Schools