

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

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2293-2

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

WHEREAS, 2022 marks the 125th anniversary of the National PTA's legacy and impact; and

**WHEREAS,** this year, the National PTA is celebrating the PTA's mission to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children; and

**WHEREAS,** the achievements of the National PTA include supporting the establishment of universal kindergarten, the National School Lunch Program, and a juvenile justice system; and

**WHEREAS,** Founder's Day acknowledges the legacy and work of the founders of the PTA - Alice McLellan Birney, Phoebe Apperson Hearst and Selena Sloan Butler; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the county of Santa Clara is represented by the California Sixth District PTA; and

**WHEREAS,** Parent Teacher Associations are committed to school and student success, advocating for the health and safety of students, raising awareness for a well-rounded education with arts and cultural opportunities, and being strong advocates 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 2, 2022, by the following vote:

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

NOES: none ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Trustee Kamei

Peter Ortiz, President

Santa Clara County Board of Education

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