

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION FOUNDER'S DAY

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2457-4

WHEREAS, February 17 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, 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, California chartered its PTA in 1902. It is the oldest and largest advocacy organization in the state; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the Sixth District PTA, encompasses Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, and Monterey Counties. Sixth District PTA serves approximately 225 PTA Units. The Sixth District PTA is made up of 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 Santa Clara 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; now

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on February 5, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Jessica Speiser, Raeena Lari, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan

NOES: none ABSTAIN: none ABSENT: none

Maimona Afzal Berta, President Santa Clara County Board of Education Charles Hinman, Ed.D.

Interim County Superintendent of Schools