

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No. 2682-2**

**WHEREAS**, May is recognized as Jewish American Heritage Month throughout the nation. This is a time where communities at large recognize the enduring faith, perseverance, and resilience of the Jewish people and uplift the many contributions Jewish Americans make to enrich American culture, politics, civil society, and countless other areas; and

**WHEREAS**, for thousands of years, members of Jewish communities have sustained strong cultural identities and traditions despite persecution, enslavement, forced segregation, the horrors of the Holocaust, and anti-Semitism that persists today; and

**WHEREAS**, this history has led many Jewish Americans to find common cause with the Civil Rights Movement, and Jewish Americans have continued their strong support for liberty and human dignity, thus uniting to end discrimination in voting, employment, and public accommodation while also supporting equality for women, farmworkers, disabled people, and the LGBTQ+ community; and

**WHEREAS**, Jewish Americans, in the face of unspeakable discrimination and adversity, have fought tirelessly to realize the promise of the nation's freedom, and continue to teach us empathy and compassion, inspired by their beliefs and history; and

**WHEREAS**, California is home to the second-largest Jewish population in the nation, more than 1.2 million people. According to the Jewish Community Federation and Endowment Fund, the Bay Area Jewish population is the fourth-largest Jewish population in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, to provide inclusive, equitable, high-quality education to every child in the county, the Santa Clara County Office of Education creates, establishes, and sustains initiatives and programs that encourage students to learn about and embrace different cultures; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution recognizing May as Jewish American Heritage Month.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on April 22, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Raena Lari, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jessica Speiser, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Don Rocha



Victoria Chon, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education



Dr. David M. Toston, Sr.  
County Superintendent of Schools