

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
AND CALIFORNIA DAY OF THE TEACHER**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION No. 2682-5**

WHEREAS, National Teacher Appreciation Week was established as the first full week in May in 1985 by the National Parent Teacher Association (PTA). This year, National Teacher Appreciation Week is recognized by the California Department of Education from May 4 through 8.

WHEREAS, the state of California also recognizes May 13, 2026, as California Day of the Teacher; and

WHEREAS, California Day of the Teacher is celebrated on the second Wednesday of May. California mirrors its celebration after the traditional El Dia del Maestro festivities observed in Mexico and other Latin American countries. California Day of the Teacher resulted from legislation co-sponsored by the California Teachers Association and the Association of Mexican American Educators. Former Senator Joseph Montoya wrote the bill, and it was adopted in 1982; and

WHEREAS, the success of our children and communities is considerably influenced by exemplary teachers who devote their heart and mind to helping our public schools and youth excel; and

WHEREAS, the teaching profession should be afforded high public esteem and reflect a community's commitment to public education. Teachers employ countless hours preparing lessons, evaluating progress, counseling, and coaching students while filling roles of listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors; and

WHEREAS, in addition to professional development and training resources to educators, the Santa Clara County Office of Education [Educator Preparation Programs \(EPP\)](#) prepare candidates to earn their preliminary or clear teaching credential, their preliminary or clear administrative credential, and offer a variety of other educator career pathways and grants; 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 4-8, 2026, as National Teacher Appreciation Week and May 13, 2026, as California Day of the Teacher. In honoring these recognitions, the Santa Clara County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools acknowledge and appreciate the work and dedication of educators within the County.

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

AYES: Raeena Lari, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jessica Speiser, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreerishnan

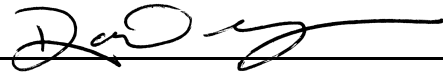
NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Don Rocha



Victoria Chon, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education



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