## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2570-2

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Board of Education (SCCBOE) and the County Superintendent of Schools are honored to join communities throughout the country to recognize and celebrate September 15, 2025, as the start of National Hispanic Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is dedicated to serving and providing resources to Hispanic and Latino/a communities, celebrating their rich cultural heritage, and honoring the shared connections within these vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, throughout the year, the SCCOE honors the contributions of Hispanic and Latino/a people in local history as well as celebrates the contributions of those who serve our communities and schools every day. Leaders such as civil rights trailblazers Cesar Chavez and Dolores Clara Fernandez Huerta, who have had schools constructed and named in their honor, and "La Madrina of East San José" Blanca Alvarado, who was the first Latina San José Councilmember and Santa Clara County Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE remains dedicated to providing resources and programming for Spanish-speaking communities; offers translation services and training for teachers, schools, and school districts; continues recruitment efforts to attract diverse educators into the teaching profession; promotes multilingual education through our Multilingual Education Services and our involvement with the California Association of Bilingual Education (CABE), and continues to support safe schools and resources for undocumented students; and

**WHEREAS**, the SCCOE recognizes the significant contributions of Hispanic and Latino/a people in our community, state, and the world; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution to strongly acknowledge and celebrate the diversity and contributions of the Hispanic and Latino/a community during National Hispanic Heritage Month and beyond.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on September 3, 2025, by the following vote:

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

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Jorge Pacheco

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Maimona Afzal Berta, President Santa Clara County Board of Education Dr. David M. Toston, Sr. County Superintendent of Schools