

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 71: LITTLE SAIGON FREEWAY

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION No. 2570-3**

WHEREAS, as an area with the largest Vietnamese community in any other city outside of Vietnam, Assembly Concurrent Resolution 71 (ACR 71), authored by Assemblymember Ash Kalra, recognizes and celebrates the contributions of Vietnamese Americans locally; and

WHEREAS, designating a portion of the State Route 101 in Santa Clara County from Story Road to the junction with Highway Route 280 and State Highway Route 680 as Little Saigon Freeway is a symbol of identity, belonging, and the shared history locally and throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese American community in San Jose reflects a heritage of resilience, entrepreneurship, and civic contributions to the culture of the region; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) plays a pivotal role in shaping inclusive educational policies, supporting multilingual learners, promoting cultural competency, and collaborating meaningfully with diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE develops and supports culturally-relevant programming and heritage curriculum, as seen through the partnership with the Orange County Department of Education to introduce the Vietnamese American Experiences Model Curriculum in the fall of 2024. This curriculum was in response to state legislation, with community input and California Department of Education guidance; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE continues to support Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) educators through the AAPI Educators Network, which provides professional network opportunities, learning about trending topics and challenges related to AAPI students and educators, and encourages AAPI educators to aim for leadership roles; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution supporting ACR 71 to designate a portion of State Route 101 as the Little Saigon Freeway.

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



Maimona Afzal Berta, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education



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

