

## RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR UNDOCUMENTED SANTA CLARA COUNTY STUDENTS THROUGH THE DREAM ACT

## SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2197-4

**WHEREAS,** President Trump has committed to deporting up to three million U.S. residents including many law-abiding and promising students and community members within Santa Clara County; and

**WHEREAS,** President Trump's deportation plan has a chilling effect on undocumented students and community members and the SCCOE is committed to educating and supporting the residents of Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Federal law protects the privacy of student records under FERPA; federal administrative rulemaking protects childhood arrivals to the United States from the deportation under DACA; and California law provides educational financial assistance to qualified undocumented California residents under AB 540 and the California "Dream" Act (AB 130 & 131); and

WHEREAS, the Federal DREAM Act, first introduced in Congress in 2001, is a bipartisan legislation that opens the possibility of higher education, as well as a conditional pathway to US citizenship, for undocumented students who were brought to the US as children (before their 16th birthday), and who are now caught in a situation that is not of their own making. The Act would require such students, sometimes known as "The Dreamers," to complete a college degree or two years of military service in order to be granted temporary residency and then be eligible to apply for US citizenship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools does hereby adopt this resolution to affirm support for undocumented students and families and the federal protections currently in place.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on February 15, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: President Chang, Vice-President Kamei, members Di Salvo, Green, Rossi, Mah and Song

NOES: - none -

ABSTAIN: - none -

ABSENT: - none -

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