

Mountain View Whisman School District

Resolution No. 02-100418, LGBTQ+ History Month

WHEREAS, members of the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees support the rights, freedoms, and equality of those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ+); and

WHEREAS, all students deserve to feel safe and welcome in their schools and to see themselves represented in the curricula; and

WHEREAS, a number of LGBTQ+ historical events and people of all races have contributed to the history of equality for all people; and

WHEREAS, Sylvia Rivera and Martha P. Johnson were some of the significant individuals who stood up for LGBT Rights in the 1960s and at the Stonewall Riots in New York in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk was the first openly gay elected official in the history of California and the passage of SB 572 (Leno) into law on October 11, 2009 officially recognizing May 22 as Harvey Milk Day in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2003, the federal Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in a case brought by local Santa Clara County students (*Flores v. Morgan Hill Unified School District* 324 F. 3d 1130 [9th Cir. 2003]) that school district staff were responsible for maintaining safe school environments and for equitable enforcement of nondiscrimination statutes and policies, and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2011, the Fair, Accurate, Inclusive and Respectful (FAIR) Education Act was passed and signed into law that mandates the inclusion of the political, economic, and social contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people in the social studies and history curricula in California public schools; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2016, the State Board of Education passed a new History Social Science Framework that includes LGBTQ+ American history content to be taught in history and social science classrooms; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ individuals continue to make noteworthy and important contributions to American history and society; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mountain View Whisman School District celebrates the accomplishments of LGBTQ+ people in history, encourages all schools to celebrate October as LGBTQ+ History Month, and encourages teachers to teach lessons about LGBTQ+ history in their classrooms.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Mountain View Whisman School District of Santa Clara County, State of California, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October , 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

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Clerk of the Board of Trustees  
Mountain View Whisman School District  
Santa Clara County, California