

## **Mountain View Whisman School District**

## Resolution No. <u>01-111920</u>,

## **To Honor Retiring Trustee Tamara Wilson**

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson served on the Board of Trustees of the Mountain View Whisman School District from December 2016 to December 2020; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson served with outstanding leadership as Board President and Vice President; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson provided essential support for the Measure B Parcel Tax campaign, which led to the successful passage of a local parcel tax to provide funding for classroom instruction, physical education, music education, environmental and science education, school libraries, counseling services, support for at-risk students, and school operations; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson provided essential support for the Measure T bond campaign, which led to the successful passage of a \$259 million bond measure to renovate, improve, construct student facilities, and provide funding for employee housing; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson provided effective oversight that ensured fiscal integrity, equitable access, and innovative elements for implementation of the \$198 million Measure G facilities bond; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson understood and modeled the roles and responsibilities of a Trustee; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson served as a positive role model in our district for our students and provided a positive face for our district when dealing with difficult situations; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson provided invaluable expertise in empowering the Superintendent to lead the District; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson strongly advocated for the construction of Employee housing and competitive salaries for MVWSD employees; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson was intimately involved in the evaluation and changing of boundaries in the district to allow more children to attend their neighborhood schools,

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson has devoted countless hours to reviewing, evaluating, and discussing district policies; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson has brought to the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees a commitment to public education and a desire to do her best for all children; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson prepared for and attended nearly 100 meetings of the Board of Trustees during the four years she served as a Trustee.

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson was involved in the creation and passage of Board resolutions addressing topics such as suicide awareness and student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson stood in support of Mountain View Whisman School District families and children as they faced uncertainty and fear surrounding immigration control enforcement and helped make Mountain View a *safe haven* for all families; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson advocated for social justice in her support of resolutions affirming that Black Lives Matter, while concomitantly condemning hate crimes.

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson championed the cause of naming a school in the district after an undocumented immigrant, José Antonio Vargas, acknowledging the strength in our community's diversity; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Wilson provided steady and thoughtful leadership during the uncertain time brought about by Covid-19 and the closure of schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tamara Wilson is recognized for her four years of dedicated service to the students of Mountain View on the occasion of her retirement from the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, by the following vote:

Laura Blakely

Devon Conley

Jose Gutiérrez, Jr.

Ellen Wheeler

Dr. Ayindé Rudolph, Superintendent