

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH
RESOLUTION NO. 01-110223

WHEREAS, Members of the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Education are honored to join communities across the country and recognize yesterday, November 1st, 2023 as the start of National Native American Heritage Month; and,

WHEREAS, National Native American Heritage Month is an opportunity to consider and recognize the contributions of Native Americans to the history of the United States as descendents of the original, Indigenous inhabitants of this land; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have moving stories of tragedy, triumph, and perseverance that need to be shared with future generations in order to preserve Indigenous languages, which have contributed to the English language; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans have made distinct and important contributions to the United States and the rest of the world in many fields, including the fields of agriculture, environmental stewardship, wayfinding, medicine, music, dance, language, and art; and

WHEREAS, contemporary applications of traditional knowledge systems of Native Americans have expanded scientific, environmental, and intercultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, It is important to understand the longstanding history that has brought us to reside on this land in Mountain View, and to seek to understand our place within that history, acknowledging that colonialism is a current ongoing process, within which we need to build mindfulness of our participation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mountain View Whisman School District Board of Trustees adopts Resolution No. 01-110223 to encourage the celebration of National Native American Heritage Month in the schools of the district with culturally-responsive activities, and to value the roles and contributions of Native American people to the local and national economies, culture, and identity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS by the Mountain View Whisman Governing Board on November 2, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

I, Bill Lambert, Clerk of the Governing Board of the Mountain View Whisman School District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at a meeting thereof held at its regular place of meeting on the date shown above and by the vote above stated.

Clerk of the Board of Education