

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT PROCLAIMING THAT BLACK LIVES MATTER

On the motion of Trustee _____ and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, in response to both current and historic disparate treatment of African Americans, a nationwide movement has arisen to assert that Black lives matter; and

WHEREAS, a national movement has arisen to assert that Black lives matter on the campuses that serve all children; and

WHEREAS, the killing of unarmed Black men and women, including queer and trans persons of color, has left young people searching for answers to incredibly complicated and infuriating questions; and

WHEREAS, throughout our nation's history, institutional and structural racism and injustice have led to deepening racial disparities across all sectors of society and have had lasting negative consequences for our communities, cities, and nation; and

WHEREAS, historically, when Black people have fought for a more democratic society, the lives of all people have improved and, conversely, each time barriers to Black people's potential have been erected, our whole society has suffered; and

WHEREAS, shouting loudly that "Black lives matter" does not negate our commitment to ALL of our students, but rather elevates Black students' and employees' struggles to trust that our society values them, we must affirm that their lives, specifically, matter; and

WHEREAS, the problems of society are mirrored in schools, and these problems can only be fully addressed with a united effort of community and school coming together for the betterment of our students' futures; and

WHEREAS, numerous and diverse community groups, residents, and teachers wish to participate in education, reflection, dialogue, and action in order to engage educational communities throughout Anaheim in activities that support the understandings and affirmations that underlie the Black lives matter movement; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Anaheim Union High School District declares that the lives of our Black students matter, the lives of our Black families matter, the lives of our Black teachers and staff members matter, and that all Black lives matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Anaheim Union High School District urgently encourages participation Districtwide in the Black Lives Matter At School Week from February 3-7, 2021, AND in the first weeks of instruction of the 2020-21 year. The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on June 18, 2020, by the following roll call vote.

5 AYES: 0 NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT: STATE OF CALIFORNIA))) SS) COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, Michael B. Matsuda, superintendent of the Anaheim Union High School District of Orange County, California, and secretary to the Board of Trustees thereof, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board of Trustees at the regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of June, and passed by a roll call vote of all members of said Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of June 2020.

Michael B. Matsuda Superintendent and Secretary to
the Board of Trustees Anaheim Union High School District