

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PETALUMA CITY (ELEMENTARY) AND PETALUMA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CONDEMNING ACTS OF ANTI-ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER VIOLENCE

WHEREAS, Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) students comprise 3.7% of Petaluma City Schools' student population and 4.1% of its employee workforce; and

WHEREAS, AAPI community members have been part of the rich ethnic diversity of Sonoma County and have contributed greatly to the economic and cultural vibrancy of the region; and

WHEREAS, the AAPI population has faced historical and structural racism in both Sonoma County and in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has been falsely blamed on the AAPI population; and

WHEREAS, the number of AAPI hate crimes has increased in the United States and the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, AAPI students and their allies have voiced their recent experiences with anti-AAPI racism in our classrooms and on our campuses; and

WHEREAS, Petaluma City Schools values the full diversity of its students, families, and staff, and actively fosters an environment of inclusion and equity; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Petaluma City Schools Board of Trustees condemns the acts of anti-AAPI violence across the country and locally; and

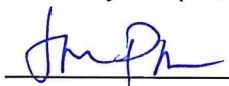
THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Petaluma City Schools Board of Trustees stands in solidarity with AAPI students, staff, and community members and commits to educating our students on the histories of racism against the AAPI community while uplifting and celebrating the contributions of the AAPI communities of past, present, and future.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Board member Webster, who moved it's adoption, seconded by Board member Cloud and adopted on roll call by the following vote:


CLOUD: Aye GEN: Aye PAUN: Aye QUINN: Aye WEBSTER: Aye

WHEREUPON, the President declared the above resolution adopted and

SO ORDERED this
13th day of April, 2021


Joanna Paun, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:


Gary Callahan, Secretary