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BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Recognizing November as
"Anti-Bullying Toward Sikh Americans"
Month

Resolution No. 2024 - 37 (FCBE)
Resolution No. 2024 - 64 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Board of Education ("County Board") and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools ("County Superintendent") acknowledge the harm of bullying, and recognize that bullying continues to be a concern at the county, state, and national level; and

WHEREAS, the California state legislature has passed numerous provisions requiring local educational agencies to adopt specific bullying related policies and pronouncements, including providing for complaint processes in cases of bullying, prohibiting discriminatory bullying, requiring school staff intervention in instances of bullying, and detailing student discipline in cases of bullying; and

WHEREAS, recent survey conducted by the Sikh community shows that over 77% of Sikh students reported experiencing at least one incident of bullying at school; and

WHEREAS, the same survey indicated that over 76% of Sikh male students who wear religious head coverings reported experiencing at least one incident of bullying at school.

WHEREAS, the negative consequences of bullying are significant, in extreme cases leading to suicide by young victims; and

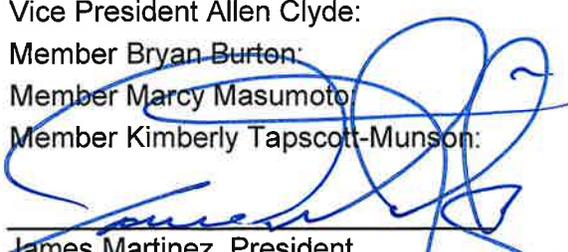
WHEREAS, the County Board and County Superintendent recognize that bullying in school and among school age children is a serious problem throughout the country and often has serious lasting consequences; and

WHEREAS, the County Board and County Superintendent are committed to advocating for an environment free from harmful bullying behaviors for all students, and will continue to encourage all school districts in Fresno County to create and maintain such an environment for all students in Fresno County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools recognize this November as "Anti-Bullying Toward Sikh Americans" Month to educate students on the consequences of bullying and teach through positive anti-bullying intervention and encourage all Fresno County School Districts to participate with appropriate activities and curriculum on this day and throughout the year.

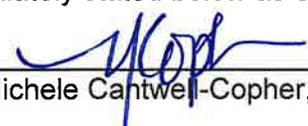
This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of October 17, 2024 by the following votes:

President James Martinez:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice President Allen Clyde:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Bryan Burton:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Marcy Masumoto:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>



 James Martinez, President

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by her signature hereunder:



 Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent

Date: 10/17/24

CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By: 

 Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher
 Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
 Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the
 Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 10/17/24