

**SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 2016/2017 - #18**

**MARCH 2017
ARTS EDUCATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, Arts Education, which includes dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts, is an essential part of basic education for all students, kindergarten through grade eight, to provide for balanced learning and to develop the full potential of their minds; and

WHEREAS, through well-planned instruction and activities in the arts, children develop initiative, creative ability, self-expression, self-reflection, thinking skills, discipline, a heightened appreciation of beauty and cross-cultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, experience in the arts develops insights and abilities central to the experience of life, and are collectively one of the most important repositories of culture; and

WHEREAS, many national and state professional educational associates hold celebrations in March focused on students' participation in the arts; and

WHEREAS, these celebrations give California schools a unique opportunity to focus on the value of the arts for all students, to foster cross-cultural understanding, to give recognition to the state's outstanding young artists, to focus on careers in the arts available to California students, and to enhance public support for this important part of our curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the California State Board of Education states in its Arts Education Policy adopted in July 1989 that each student should receive a high quality, comprehensive arts education program based on the adopted visual and performing arts curriculum documents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on the 7th day of March, 2017 that the **SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT** proclaims the month of March 2017 as the Arts Education Month and encourages all educational communities to celebrate the arts with meaningful student activities and programs that demonstrate learning and understanding in the visual and performing arts; and

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was introduced at a regular meeting of the **SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT** Board of Trustees held on the 7th day of March 2017, by Board Member _____ who made the motion, which motion being duly seconded by Board Member _____ was, upon roll call vote, carried into Resolution and passed by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSECTIONS:

I, **Debra M. Hendricks**, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT at a regular meeting on March 7, 2017, which Resolution is on file in office of said Board.

DATE: March 8, 2017

Debra M. Hendricks
Secretary, Board of Trustees