

Resolution

Carmel Unified School District

RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-28

Recognizing and Honoring

WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca

Supporting Graduating Seniors in the Carmel Unified School District

WHEREAS, the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education recognizes and honors the Board of Directors and staff of **WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca** for teaming up with the Monterey County Office of Education, and the Carmel Unified School District to provide our Carmel high school seniors with an extraordinary graduation experience the seniors, their families, and our community will treasure for their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic impacted our youth in profound ways, depriving them from time honored school traditions, and almost denying them the opportunity to celebrate graduation surrounded by peers, families, and their supportive community; and

WHEREAS, **WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca** opened Carmel Unified School District students' eyes to what a community can do by providing Carmel High School seniors with a unique and historic graduation experience at their world renowned raceway and giving these graduates the optimism and inspiration to take with them as they venture into their futures; and

WHEREAS, the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education is appreciative for the **WeatherTech Raceway's** team of leaders "we will get through this together attitude" to host our Carmel High School graduation, including addressing all of the health and safety issues and diverse needs of our schools and students, to ensure each family was able to celebrate the hard work and success of their student and display their individual pride; and

WHEREAS, graduation is a time for students to look ahead with excitement and explore all that the world has to offer and the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education is grateful for the huge smiles and encouragement that this experience generated, along with honking horns in honor of graduates, proudly waving parents, and the joy illuminating from families as they circled the track and crossed the finish line with a checkered flag, as well as all the families and community members that were able to watch this memorable event with the livestreaming. Many more families were able to part of this joyous occasion, and gave the seniors the much-needed attention and support during these unprecedented times; and

WHEREAS, the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education is honored to recognize **WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca's** Board of Directors and staff members as true heroes who responded to the urgent needs of graduating senior students and their families and deserve the gratitude, respect and recognition from our entire CUSD community:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carmel Unified School District Board of Education does hereby present Resolution Number 20-28 to recognize and honor **WeatherTech Raceway at Laguna Seca** for providing a memorable experience for seniors and helping to signal a green light for these students to advance forward and strive to fulfill their dreams.

Passed and Adopted on the Twenty Forth Day of June, 2020

Trisha Dellis, Acting Superintendent

Karl Pallastrini, Board President