

**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District  
Board of Education**

**RESOLUTION – IN HONOR CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) MONTH**

**WHEREAS** February has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

**WHEREAS** profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

**WHEREAS** career and technical education provides students with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to our nation's leadership in the international marketplace; and

**WHEREAS** career and technical education gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of skills such as reading, writing and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating potential dropouts and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

**WHEREAS** career and technical education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and

**WHEREAS** the ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education does hereby adopt this resolution to:

- (1) recognize February as "Career and Technical Education Month" to celebrate career and technical education across the United States;
- (2) support the goals and ideals of Career and Technical Education month;
- (3) recognize the importance of career and technical education in preparing a well-educated and skilled workforce; and
- (4) encourage educators, counselors, and administrators to promote career and technical education as an option for students.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 2018 by the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein  
Board President

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Dr. Ben Drati  
Superintendent