

**SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION**

CALIFORNIA DAY OF THE TEACHER

WHEREAS, an educated citizenry serves as the foundation of our democracy; and

WHEREAS, today's teachers mold the minds and train the workforce of the future; and

WHEREAS, teachers strive to make every classroom an exciting environment where productive and useful learning takes place and each student is encouraged to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS, no other profession touches as many people with such a lasting effect; and

WHEREAS, good teaching grows in value and pays dividends far beyond the classroom, and

WHEREAS, excellence in our state begins with California's teachers;

WHEREAS, California's teachers are among the best educated, most credentialed and hardest working educators in the country; and

WHEREAS, California owes much of its success to its public schools, colleges and universities that produce the scholars, thinkers, and educated workforce; and

WHEREAS, the theme for this year's Day of the Teacher is "*California Teachers: The League of Extraordinary Educators.*" Although one teacher can be influential, life-changing, even, for a student, it takes the entire school community – Education Support Professionals, preK-12 teachers, college faculty and parents – to provide the public education all of our students deserve.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education does hereby urge the community to recognize Wednesday, May 9, 2018, as Day of the Teacher in Los Angeles County, by taking time to remember and honor those who give the gift of knowledge through teaching.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education, County of Los Angeles on this 3rd day of May, 2018.

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