



PLEASANTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION 2018-2019.08

IN SUPPORT OF “BAY AREA UNITED AGAINST HATE WEEK” NOVEMBER 11-18, 2018

WHEREAS, the United States is a nation of individuals, whose strength is derived from its complex diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution protects the rights of all, without regards to race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, or political views; and

WHEREAS, recent political rhetoric has created an environment that serves to ignite hate and spread pejorative views of marginalized groups and individuals; and

WHEREAS, deep divisions within our country are the result of extreme ideologies, further strengthening a cycle of mistrust and suspicion fueled by fear, anxiety, and insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasanton Unified School District Board of Education and staff are dedicated to preventing and opposing intolerance in our schools and community; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees and staff firmly embrace inclusive practices that promote the success of all students and the safety of all individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasanton Board of Education has adopted previous resolutions supporting Equity and Diversity (2016); and

WHEREAS, education, compassion, and cooperation are key to unlocking understanding and embracing differences between people; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees and staff believe in justice and equality and in combating hate and intolerance in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasanton Unified School District Board and staff support activities planned by the Pleasanton Youth Commission for the third week of October to encourage and promote unity, compassion and kindness toward all; and

WHEREAS, Bay Area civic leaders, in direct response to the sharp rise in expressions of hate in our communities, want to empower local residents to take local action and alter the course of this growing intolerance; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasanton Unified School District seeks to join other Bay Area communities in a United Against Hate campaign, as an important step in bridging divisions and strengthening our communities.

WHEREAS, when communities work together against intolerance, we can restore respect and civil discourse, embrace the strength of diversity and build inclusive and equitable communities for all;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pleasanton Unified School District Board of Education declares support of the Bay Area United Against Hate Week activities and proclaims October 24th as “Unity Day” in recognition of National Bullying Prevention Month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Pleasanton Unified School District, Alameda County, State of California, on October 23, 2018, by the following vote:

	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Arkin	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hintzke	_____	_____	_____	_____
Laursen	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maher	_____	_____	_____	_____
Miller	_____	_____	_____	_____

Vice-President of the Governing Board
Pleasanton Unified School District