



ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

MAY 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2024/25-E-26

May 8, 2025

On the motion of Trustee Smith and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Asian American and Pacific Islander community is an inherently diverse population, composed of more than 45 distinct ethnicities and more than 100 language dialects; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander communities enhance the rich diversity of and strengthen the United States; and

WHEREAS, California is home to the largest population of Asian Americans, a group that has enriched the state in countless and invaluable ways; and

WHEREAS, approximately 20 percent of Orange County residents identify Asian or Pacific Islander heritage; and

WHEREAS, more than 17 percent of students in Anaheim Union High School District schools are of Asian or Pacific Islander descent; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, Congress introduced a House resolution to proclaim the first 10 days of May as Asian Pacific Heritage Week, a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 1990 Congress voted to expand Asian Pacific Heritage from a week to a month-long celebration and in May 1992, the month of May was permanently designated as Asian American and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, the month of May was selected for Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month because the first Japanese immigrants arrived in the United States on May 7, 1843, and the first transcontinental railroad was completed on May 10, 1869, with substantial contributions from Chinese immigrants; and

WHEREAS, understanding Asian and Pacific Islander history is an important part of celebrating Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, these communities face inequities today that have roots in our country's history with the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 and the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have persevered, creating opportunities for their children, and making advances in our country through the arts, science, technology, law, agriculture, industry and commerce, and public service, such as healthcare and the military; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the historical and cultural contributions of Asian American and Pacific Islander Americans in the development of the State of California, and for their contributions to government and our nation, both nationally and locally; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Asian American and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month provides the people of the United States with an opportunity to recognize the achievements, contributions, and history of, and to understand the challenges faced by, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Anaheim Union High School District does hereby recognize May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and encourages residents to join in acknowledging and celebrating the cultural diversity in our community.

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on May 8, 2025, by the following roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees Smith, Hoshi, Randle-Trejo, Guerrero, and O'Neal

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) SS
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, Michael B. Matsuda, superintendent of the Anaheim Union High School District of Orange County, California, and secretary to the Board of Trustees thereof, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board of Trustees at the regular meeting thereof held on the 8th day of May, 2025, and passed by a roll call vote of all members of said Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of May, 2025.



Michael B. Matsuda
Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Anaheim Union High School District