

PROCLAMATION OF THE ALHAMBRA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

**PROCLAIMING THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER AS
INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY**

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples of the lands that would later become known as the Americas have occupied these lands since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board values the many contributions made to our community through Indigenous Peoples' knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that has substantially shaped our district; and

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board has established that each and every student is to be celebrated and appreciated for the distinct and vibrant contributions made by sharing cultures, languages, ideas, beliefs and values within a school community; and

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board has a responsibility to oppose the systematic racism toward Indigenous people in the United States, which perpetuates high rates of poverty and income inequality, exacerbating disproportionate health, education and social crises; and

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board seeks to combat prejudice and eliminate discrimination stemming from colonization and to promote awareness, understanding and good relations among indigenous peoples and all other segments of our district; and

WHEREAS, the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board promotes closing the equity gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and practices that reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, ensure greater access and opportunity and honor our nation's indigenous roots, history and contributions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Alhambra Elementary School District Governing Board that every second Monday of October is Indigenous People's Day. The district shall encourage staff to utilize the second Monday in October to reflect upon the ongoing struggles of the indigenous people of this land, and are encouraged to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the Indigenous People in our region, and to stand in solidarity with Indigenous Peoples elsewhere. Appropriate district calendars and website shall reference the second Monday in October, as Indigenous People's Day.