

GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 24

**PROCLAIMING JUNE 2021 as LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH IN
GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, Glendale Unified School District models, advocates, actively supports, and promotes the inclusive and respectful treatment of all students, employees, family members, and community members;

WHEREAS, the District is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and nurturing environment in meeting every child's academic and social emotional needs;

WHEREAS, the District cherishes the value and dignity of each person and appreciates the importance of equality and freedom;

WHEREAS, June is a time to celebrate our dynamic LGBTQ+ community, raise awareness of quality services, and foster a dialogue to promote healthy, safe, and prosperous school climates and communities for all;

WHEREAS, California state law prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying towards LGBTQ+ youth and bullying in schools is a serious matter that impacts students' health and safety;

WHEREAS, there have been numerous studies indicating the inequities experienced by the LGBTQ+ community, including poverty, homelessness, school harassment, physical assault, domestic violence, hate crimes, mental health issues, and substance abuse concerns;

WHEREAS, there is a need to focus on localized efforts that support LGBTQ+ youth including student and school resources that focus on positive behavioral interventions and support, resources on school climate that address bullying and family engagement, as well as tools for student health and wellness;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that students in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or gender expression, feel welcomed, valued, safe, empowered, and supported by their peers and school community; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing Pride Month, we reaffirm our commitment to support policies, practices, and curricula that honor and respect LGBTQ+ students, employees, family members, and all people in our community.

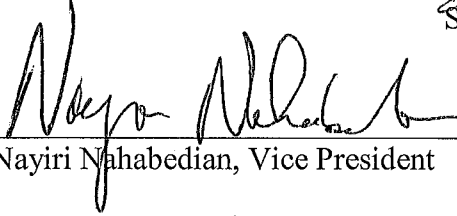
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Glendale Unified School District Board of Education designates June 2021 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month and urges everyone to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty, and justice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Glendale Unified School District Board of Education encourages the Superintendent and all District staff to support lessons and activities that engage students in meaningful learning about the accomplishments of the LGBTQ+ community and the experiences of our LGBTQ+ students, employees, and families.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of June 2021, at a regular meeting of the Glendale Unified School District Board of Education, Los Angeles County, California.



Shant Sahakian President



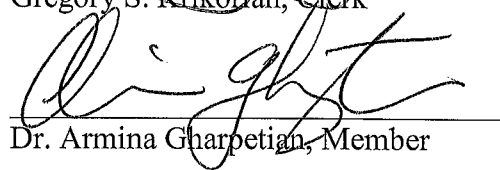
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