



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 7.1

**Meeting Date:** June 6, 2019

**Subject:** Approve Resolution No. 3084: In Recognition of LGBTQ+ Pride Month, June 2019

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Board Office

**Recommendation:** Approve Resolution No. 3084: In Recognition of LGBTQ+ Pride Month, June 2019.

**Background/Rationale:** June 2019 has been designated as LGBTQ+ Pride Month. The District is committed to providing a Safe Haven for all students including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or those that may be perceived as such. The month of June is an opportunity to highlight the identities and contributions of the LGBTQ+ community as well as work to combat bullying and harassment based on sexual orientation and gender expression in order better promote and foster a safe and respectful culture within the District. June 2019 in particular also marks the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, which highlighted and served as a catalyst for the struggle for LGBTQ+ rights.

**Financial Considerations:** None

**LCAP Goal(s):** Family and Community Empowerment; Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

**Documents Attached:**

1. Resolution No. 3084

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** 5 minutes

**Submitted by:** Michael Minnick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Lisa Murawski, Board Member

**Approved by:** Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 3084**

**RECOGNITION OF LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH, JUNE 2019**

**Whereas**, the Sacramento City Unified School District advocates and promotes the safe, inclusive and respectful treatment of all our students as part of the District's Safe Haven efforts;

**Whereas**, the District is committed to providing a Safe Haven for all students including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or those that may be perceived as such;

**Whereas**, the California Education Code, Section 200 ensures that all students receive equal access and rights to educational opportunities in public schools;

**Whereas**, the Sacramento City Unified School Districts commits to the implementation of the FAIR (Fair Accurate Inclusive and Respectful) Education Act into the K-12 grade history and social studies curriculum;

**Whereas**, the month of June is an opportunity to highlight the identities and contributions of the LGBTQ+ community, and June 2019 in particular marks the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising, which highlighted and served as a catalyst for the struggle for LGBTQ+ rights;

**Whereas**, sexual orientation and gender expression biased bullying is among the most common form of harassment in schools;

**Whereas**, peer harassment and bullying contribute to significantly higher rates of school dropout, academic failure and school disengagement among LGBTQ+ youth;

**Whereas**, LGBTQ+ youth are more likely to experience a mental health condition and are at greater risk of suicide, and deserve our vocal acceptance and support, as well as special attention to the unique challenges they may face at school and in their communities;

**Whereas**, the Connect Center is a critical District program for student, staff and community resources. The Connect Center provides trainings, activities, and lessons for and about LGBTQ+ identities and is committed to fostering a safe and respectful District, school and community culture;

**Whereas**, the Board of Education approved the updated Board Policy on Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth during the June 7, 2018 Board Meeting which further outlines the services, supports and protections provided to such students and families;

**Whereas**, the Board of Education recognizes and rejects the shameful history and present-day manifestations of bias against and oppression of LGBTQ+ individuals, and heartily celebrates

each LGBTQ+ student and staff as valued members of the SCUSD community; and

**Whereas**, by recognizing Pride Month, we support other policies, practices and curricula that honor and respect LGBTQ+ students, staff and their families.

**Now, Therefore, be it Resolved**, that the Sacramento City Unified Board of Education declares June 2019 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month and directs the Superintendent and all District staff to continue supporting lessons, activities, and conversations that engage students in meaningful learning, research and writing about our LGBTQ+ students and families.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 6th day of June, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_  
NOES: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTESTED TO:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jorge A. Aguilar  
Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jessie Ryan  
President of the Board of Education