

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING BLACK LIVES MATTER WEEK OF ACTION IN SCHOOLS**

**WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, a national movement has arisen to assert that Black Lives Matter; and

WHEREAS, this movement has raised awareness against injustices that exist at the intersections of race, class, and gender; including mass incarceration, police brutality, poverty, non-affordable housing, income disparity, homophobia, unjust immigration policies, gender inequality, and poor access to healthcare; and

WHEREAS, in support of a national movement of teachers, parents, scholars and administrators who have come together to proclaim a week of action, affirmation, and solidarity, to be called "Black Lives Matter Week of Action in Schools;" and

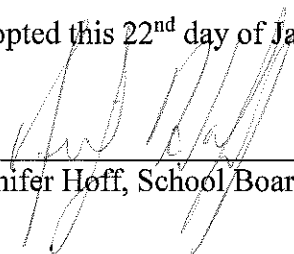
WHEREAS, the thirteen guiding principles of the Black Lives Matter movement highlighted during this week of action are a means of challenging the insidious legacy of institutionalized racism and oppression that has plagued the United States since its founding; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the week will be to spark an ongoing movement of critical reflection and honest conversations in school communities for people of all ages to engage with critical issues of social justice; and

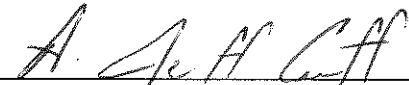
WHEREAS, schools should be places for the practice of equity, for the building of understanding, and for the active engagement of all in creating pathways to freedom and justice for all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the William Penn School District Board of School Directors endorses and encourages teachers and students to participate in the Black Lives Matter Week of Action in Schools to be held on February 5-10, 2018.

Adopted this 22nd day of January 2018



Jennifer Hoff, School Board President



A. Jeff Cuff, Board Secretary