

Resolution

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NUMBER 20-21-06

Celebrating and Recognizing

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

September 15 to October 15

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Board of Education takes great pride in recognizing **National Hispanic Heritage Month** from September 15 to October 15, and celebrating the Hispanic and Latino American culture, heritage, and vast contributions made to our country and our communities; and

WHEREAS, with roots dating back to 1968, **National Hispanic Heritage Month** begins each year on the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, and is also celebrated during this period by Mexico, Chile and Belize; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 theme for **National Hispanic Heritage Month**, *Hispanics: Be Proud of Your Past, Embrace the Future*, celebrates the Hispanic and Latino American history that is filled with achievements made to our Nation and ongoing influences and advancements to our communities, state and our world; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans have made tremendous contributions to the United States and continue to make advances and impacts through politics, human rights, education, medicine, art, culture, farming, public service, and numerous other areas; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey County Board of Education recognizes the positive influences Hispanics have on our country and in our community through their deep commitment to family, faith, hard work, service and strong values; and

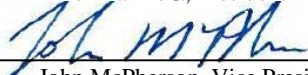
WHEREAS, Monterey County's Hispanic student population continues to grow with over 62,000 Hispanic pupils enrolled in K-12 public schools, representing 80.5% of the student population:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey County Board of Education adopts Resolution Number 20-21-06 to recognize **National Hispanic Heritage Month** and encourages schools and school districts throughout Monterey County to celebrate with activities that honor the history and customs of the Hispanic community and support and inspire progress through education and enrichment opportunities.

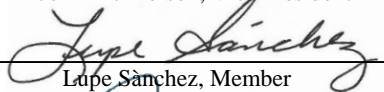
**Passed and Adopted on the
Twelfth Day of August 2020**



Ron Panziera, President



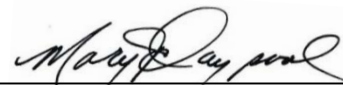
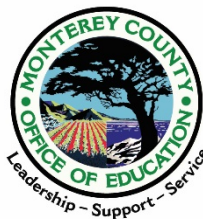
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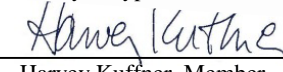
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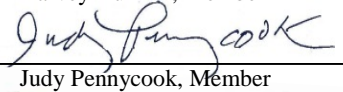
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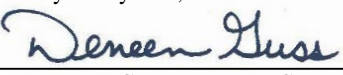
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