

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution #25-11

EARTH DAY, APRIL 22, 2025

WHEREAS, environmental groups have sought to make Earth Day a day of action to change human behavior, prompt policy changes, initiate environmental reform, promote ecology, and encourage awareness of the growing problems of air, water, and soil pollution; and

WHEREAS, the first Earth Day celebration was held on April 22, 1970; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "**Our Power, Our Planet,**" advocates for widespread awareness of the health risks of plastics and encourages individuals, businesses, and governments to take actions such as eliminating single-use plastics, saying no to straws, plastic bags, utensils, and water bottles; and

WHEREAS, according to EarthDay.org, "Gen Z is providing inspiration, with 45% having stopped purchasing certain brands because of ethical or sustainability concerns"; and

WHEREAS, schools have the potential to create significant environmental change while teaching students to be stewards of their communities, the Earth, and its resources; and

WHEREAS, El Camino High School's Ecology Club is dedicated "to educating students on the importance of the environment by focusing on conservation of the unique ecosystems of El Camino High School, the Bay Area, and California"; and

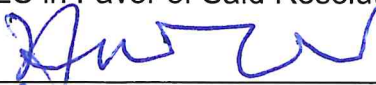
WHEREAS, South San Francisco High School's Earth Club has created an outdoor learning space with gardens, manages the school's recycling program, participates in annual clean-ups, and lobbies lawmakers to support NGOs fighting climate change; and

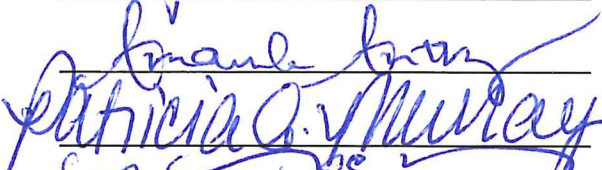
WHEREAS, District staff and several SSFUSD schools are committed to beautifying campuses through gardening projects, recycling efforts, and waste management initiatives;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Francisco Unified School District Board of Trustees hereby recognizes the ongoing efforts to sustain a global movement that embraces nature and its values, adopts measures that increase conservation and sustainability, and nurtures a respect for the environment in all students in observance of Earth Day 2025.

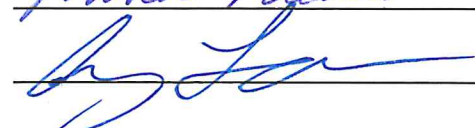
REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of April 2025.

AYES in Favor of Said Resolution











ATTEST:



Secretary/Clerk of the Board


Superintendent of Schools