

**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Resolution #25-05**

**RECOGNIZING MARCH 2025 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH**

*WHEREAS, the American Red Cross was founded in Washington, D.C., in 1881 by Clara Barton, a nurse and educator who became the organization's first president; and*

*WHEREAS, in 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed March as **Red Cross Month** to recognize the everyday heroes who selflessly provide aid through financial contributions, blood donations, and volunteer service; and*

*WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is a national leader in emergency preparedness and disaster response, offering critical assistance to individuals and communities affected by fires, floods, earthquakes, and other crises every eight minutes; and*

*WHEREAS, the Red Cross provides lifesaving training and certification programs, including specialized courses for K-12 youth volunteers, empowering individuals to respond effectively in times of need; and*

*WHEREAS, locally, the Red Cross has provided essential disaster relief, including assisting families affected by the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake, supporting individuals impacted by the 2010 San Bruno pipeline explosion, aiding those displaced by the devastating North Bay wildfires, and collaborating with public health officials to deliver critical services during the COVID-19 pandemic; and*





*WHEREAS, students of the South San Francisco Unified School District have demonstrated compassion and civic responsibility by organizing vital blood drives and supporting Red Cross initiatives; and*


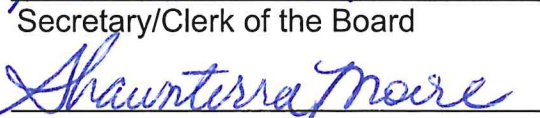
*WHEREAS, El Camino High School's Red Cross Club upholds the Red Cross's core principles of Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, Voluntary Service, Unity, and Universality, and South San Francisco High School's Red Cross Club is committed to community service through fundraising and volunteer efforts to aid those in need.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Francisco Unified School District Board of Trustees recognizes March 2025 as **American Red Cross Month**, honors all Red Cross workers especially volunteers and encourages our community to support their humanitarian efforts.*

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

AYES in Favor of Said Resolution

  
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Secretary/Clerk of the Board  
  
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Superintendent of Schools