

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution #24-08

IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, April has been designated National Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States since 1983 and this annual observance is dedicated to raising awareness and preventing child abuse; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is an important societal concern that may affect the long-term health and well-being of not only the children, but also the adults they become; and

WHEREAS, safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and communities can break the cycle of abuse and maltreatment; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention and promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families requires a coordinated and comprehensive response by all systems supporting children, youth and families including schools, law enforcement, health systems, faith-based organizations, and community programs; and

WHEREAS, each person has a stake in ensuring children have access to the resources and supports they need to be secure, healthy, and successful without fear of aggression or cruelty; and

WHEREAS, all SSFUSD employees must review the Mandated Reporting requirements annually and immediately report suspected child abuse or neglect to the appropriate authorities; and

WHEREAS, bullying, a form of peer abuse, can impact a young person's physical, social, emotional, or mental development; and

WHEREAS, children and youth who may be disconnected from their families are increasingly more vulnerable to online sexual exploitation and trafficking; and

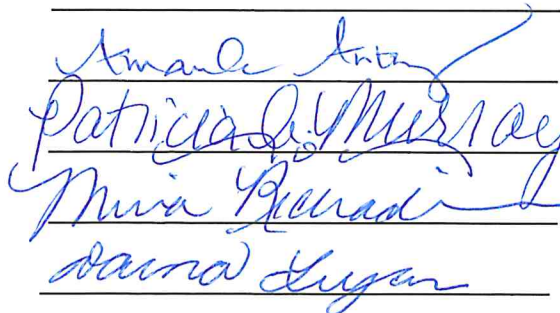
WHEREAS, it is everyone's responsibility to prevent all forms of abuse from taking place at school, in the community, or through technology and to consistently advocate for a child's safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Francisco Unified School District Board of Trustees hereby recognizes and supports National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of March 2024.

AYES in Favor of Said Resolution

ATTEST:



Secretary/Clerk of the Board



Superintendent of Schools