San Mateo Union High School District
Proclamation Recognizing October 1-31, 2025 as
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning,
Intersex and Asexual (LGBTQIA+) History Month

WHEREAS, October holds historical significance, because in October 1979, the first LGBT National March on Washington occurred, marking the 10th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, and on October 11, 1988, the first National Coming Out Day was celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the month of October has been identified to remind all cultures within our wider community of the important roles LGBTQIA+ people have taken in shaping the social, cultural, historical, legal, and political worlds we live in today; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature adopted AB 677 (Chapter 744) (2017) encouraging schools to collect voluntary self-identification information on sexual orientation and gender identity and expression (SOGIE); and

WHEREAS, SOGIE data and training promotes welcoming schools, improves understanding of LGBTQIA+ students, and supports educators to provide services in a nondiscriminatory and respectful manner; and

WHEREAS, members of the San Mateo Union High School District, support the rights, freedoms, and equality of those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+); and

WHEREAS, all students deserve to feel safe and welcome in their schools, to be known by their preferred name, gender identity, story, as well as to see themselves represented in the curricula; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQIA+ individuals have made and continue to make contributions to the cause of equality to strengthen the fabric of American society; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo Union High School District appreciates and recognizes the importance of LGBTQIA+ History Month as an effective means of educating and calling to action our community members to work together by fighting prejudice and discrimination in their own lives; and

WHEREAS, increasing visibility, raising awareness, and teaching LGBTQIA+ history fosters a welcoming school climate where LGBTQIA+ students, families, and educators can live their authentic lives and be treated with dignity and respect; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the San Mateo Union High School District does hereby declare the month of October as LGBTQIA+ History Month in our schools. May this resolution serve as a call to action for educators, students, and community members to find tangible ways

to support and honor the LGBTQIA+ community during LGBTQIA+ History Month and all year long.

SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Passed and Adopted on this 25th Day of September, 2025



Superintendent

Robert Griffin
President, Board of Trustees