BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

In the Matter Regarding Recognizing September 17th as Constitution Day

Resolution No. 2023 - 28 (FCBE)
Resolution No. 2023 - 46 (FCSS)

WHEREAS, students need to understand the basic principles of democracy; and,

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution, signed by our founding fathers on September 17, 1787, changed the course of human events and helped shape the United States; and,

WHEREAS, studies and activities pertaining to Constitution Day will help students to gain a better understanding of the principles of the Constitution that created our democratic form of government; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to legislation passed by Congress and signed by President George W. Bush in December of 2004, educational institutions receiving Federal funding are required to hold an educational program pertinent to the United States Constitution on September 17th of each year (or the first school day preceding or following September 17th); and,

WHEREAS, current state law (Education Code 37221) requires California districts to conduct commemorative exercises on Constitution Day; and,

WHEREAS, Fresno County Office of Education joins the national effort to ensure the understanding of the United States' Constitutional heritage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Education and the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools do hereby recognize September 17th as "United States Constitution Day," and encourage all Fresno County School Districts to participate with appropriate activities and curriculum on this day and throughout the year.

This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education at its meeting of August 17, 2023 by the following votes:

President Bryan Burton:
Vice President James Martinez:
Member Allen Clyde:
Member Marcy Masumoto:
Member Kimberly Tapscott-Munson:

Yes  No  Abstain  Absent
Yes  No  Abstain  Absent
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Yes  No  Abstain  Absent

Bryan Burton, President
This Resolution is adopted by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools as of the date immediately stated below as evident by her signature hereunder:

Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher, Superintendent

Date: 8/17/23

CERTIFICATION

I am the Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education and hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the full, true, and correct resolution duly passed and adopted by the Fresno County Board of Education on the date stated above.

By: Dr. Michele Cantwell-Copher
Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary and Executive Officer of the Fresno County Board of Education

Date: 8/17/23