San Leandro Unified School District

Resolution 21-11

Affirmation of April 2021 as Autism Awareness Month

WHEREAS, April has been designated National Autism Awareness month by the Autism Society of America and Autism Speaks; and

WHEREAS, Autism spectrum disorders are a group of developmental disabilities that may cause significant social, communication, and behavioral challenges across the lifespan of an individual; and

WHEREAS, National Autism Awareness month was conceived to educate the community and celebrate opportunities associated with living, attending school, and working alongside individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families; and

WHEREAS, Children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders each present with a highly individualized pattern of needs and abilities; and

WHEREAS, More than 97,000 California public school students have been diagnosed as autistic; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro Unified School District currently educates approximately 290 students with autism; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro Unified School District renews its pledge to continually assess and improve the range of educational services provided to meet the varying needs of our students with an autism spectrum disorder; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro Unified School District recognizes that educating our students with autism from toddlerhood through graduation requires commitment to meaningful collaboration with families and community members; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro Unified School District intends, together with our partners, to ensure our students are prepared for postsecondary success in college, careers, and the community; now therefore be it

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the San Leandro Unified School District Board of Education is committed to inspiring learning and to creating and maximizing future opportunities for all of our students with autism spectrum disorders.

RESOLUTION 21-11 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the San Leandro Unified School District on this 9th day of March, 2021.

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Evelyn González, Board President	Mike McLaughlin, Ed.D., Superintendent