Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

A. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 3 in support of the Federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 3 as part of the regular County Board meeting on September 12, 2017; and further calls on the U.S. Congress to act swiftly to pass legislation to make permanent DACA's protections and provide permanent lawful residency to DACA recipients.

Resolution No. 3 is shown on the following page.
WHEREAS the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program allows qualified individuals brought to the United States as children to apply for a renewable two-year reprieve from the fear of deportation, allowing them to live, work and study in this country;

WHEREAS Los Angeles County is home to an estimated 123,000 DACA recipients (34 percent of all DACA registrants in California) who are among the students, staff and families of our public schools and colleges;

WHEREAS DACA recipients embody the American dream, do not represent a public safety threat and are productive, high-achieving members of our communities and our economy;

WHEREAS public education is a fundamental right of all children regardless of immigration status;

WHEREAS Los Angeles County students should not be punished for their immigration status, but supported for their hard work and determination to succeed;

WHEREAS the Los Angeles County Office of Education continues to assist in the dissemination of information and resources for our students and their families;

WHEREAS The President rescinded DACA on Sept. 5, 2017; and

WHEREAS the rescission has caused DACA students to fear attending school and school-related activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and County Board of Education call on the U.S. Congress to act swiftly to pass legislation to make permanent DACA's protections and provide permanent lawful residency to DACA recipients. All students deserve to live and study without fear, so they can continue to strengthen our nation.

ADOPTED this 12th day of September 2017, by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.

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