LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION <u>October 17, 2023</u> APPROVED: <u>DD:br</u>

Board Meeting – October 17, 2023

## Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

D. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 19 to Recognize November 12-18, 2023, as United Against Hate Week

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 19 as part of the regular County Board meeting on October 17, 2023; and further recognized November 12-18, 2023, as United Against Hate Week and encourages communities to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities that include seven days of action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our schools and surrounding communities.

Resolution No. 19 follows on the next page.

Next Steps:

- Disseminate the <u>United Against Hate Toolkit</u> to LEA staff via various listservs, including Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and Student Support Services.
- Post and promote United Against Hate Week on social media.
- Promote United Against Hate Week with and provide resources to Counselors and Student Support Services Administrators during job-alike meetings.

## **BOARD RESOLUTION**

No. 19: 2023-24

- WHEREAS, there has been an alarming increase in expressions of hate and hate ideologies as a means of intimidation in our communities; and
- WHEREAS, attacks on immigrants, people of color, women, places of worship, the LGBTQIA community and our most vulnerable are now more frequent, resulting in an increase in hate crimes and hate related incidents.
- WHEREAS, United Against Hate Week is a call for seven days of local civic action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our neighborhoods, towns and cities.
- WHEREAS, United Against Hate Week emerged from a United Against Hate poster campaign created by Bay Area Cities in response to white supremacist rallies in Berkeley and San Francisco in 2017. The original 13 communities were convened in 2018 by Not in Our Town, a national anti-hate organization and partner in the LA vs Hate campaign and committed to an annual week of action and awareness.
- WHEREAS, United Against Hate Week has spread to over 200+ communities including all of Los Angeles County, faith-based groups, LGBTQ and human rights organizations and is beginning to takeoff throughout California and in communities across the U.S.
- WHEREAS, awareness can be increased by posting signs, distributing resources, hosting events, sharing stories and connecting with schools and neighborhood civic institutions.
- WHEREAS, this is a great opportunity to engage youth around civic engagement and involvement in social justice issues related to reducing incidents of hate within their communities.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Board of Education recognizes November 12-18, 2023, as United Against Hate Week and encourages communities to observe this day with

appropriate programs and activities that include seven days of action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our schools and surrounding communities in solidarity with the United Against Hate Week Coalition.

**ADOPTED** this 17th day of October 2023, by the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.

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Superintendent

Board President