YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT Anti-Hate Resolution

WHEREAS, YOUR School District believes that everyone deserves to be treated with dignity and respect. We call upon our community to look out for each other, ask for help if needed, and calmly model the behaviors of respect and dignity that we value so highly in our students.

WHEREAS, a robust immigrant community is an integral part of the YOUR School District;

WHEREAS, Governing Board members are elected and took an oath that says they will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the YOUR School District;

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, that on this xth day of MONTH YEAR, the YOUR School District condemns all hateful rhetoric or bigotry against Muslims, those perceived as Muslims, immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ and their families. Hate and bigotry are especially harmful to children, as they can have a negative impact on their psychological well-being, the health of their peer relationships, and their ability to thrive in school.

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of schools to educate students about the social, cultural and ethnic diversity of the United States, to promote awareness of a wide range of religious and cultural traditions, and to teach students to think critically about their own biases;

and WHEREAS we, as the leaders of the YOUR School District have a responsibility to ensure that all of our students are supported in their academic and personal development: Now therefore be it resolved, that the YOUR School District – (1) Condemns all hateful speech and violent action directed at Muslims, those perceived as Muslims, immigrants, people of color, LGBTQ and their families; (2) Commits to fostering a school environment that promotes respect for and curiosity about all religions, identities and cultures, affirms the equal humanity of all members of the community, and rejects all forms of bullying and discrimination; (3) Commits to instituting school policies and setting an educational curriculum that reflects the values expressed in this resolution via training of staff and teachers, the inclusion of diverse resources to supplement in-class curricula, and the creation of safe spaces for students to address school-based bullying.