

SANTA MARIA-BONITA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**RESOLUTION 22-20
RECOGNIZING JUNE 2023 AS PRIDE MONTH**

WHEREAS, the beliefs of the Santa Maria-Bonita School District (“SMBSD”) include providing a safe, inclusive environment for all students and staff where equity is essential to thrive and where a unified community inspires hope and faith.

WHEREAS, SMBSD believes that inclusion among the District, community, students, staff, families, and community members is integral to the success of the District's mission.

WHEREAS, SMBSD prohibits unlawful discrimination of all kinds as defined by SMBSD Board Policy 0410:, California law, and United States law.

WHEREAS, SMBSD is fully committed to creating a positive climate, maintaining a safe and welcoming environment, and promoting a strong sense of belonging in our schools; and

WHEREAS, SMBSD is furthermore committed to having that sense of belonging extend to the families in the District as well as students, teachers and staff, so everyone is welcome equally to our campuses and;

WHEREAS, Pride Month celebrates many contributions of LGBTQ+ individuals, respecting the talent, creativity and positive impact to our communities.

WHEREAS, SMBSD celebrates the accomplishments of LGBTQ+ people, and works to create a respectful, caring and inclusive culture for all within the school district community

WHEREAS, Pride Month is currently celebrated each year in the month of June.

WHEREAS, SMBSD is working to cultivate positive and safe school environments to empower youth with confidence and knowledge to successfully navigate and improve the ever-changing world; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing Pride Month, we reaffirm our commitment to support other policies, practices and curricula that honor and respect LGBTQ+ students, staff, their families, and all people in our community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that SMBSD, does hereby proclaim June 2023 as Pride Month to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish safe environments in our schools and communities.

FURTHERMORE, SMBSD invites everyone to reflect on ways we can live and work together with a commitment to mutual respect and understanding.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of June 2023.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

John Hollinshead, President
Santa Maria-Bonita School District

Attest:

Linda Cordero, Clerk, Board of Education