

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution #12/13-3

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the State of California is home to over 2, 000,000 Hispanic students from kindergarten through grade twelve; and

WHEREAS, the diversity of this group includes persons who have their origins in Mexico, Central and South America, Portugal, Spain and the Spanish speaking Caribbean Islands; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of European contact with our continent, Hispanics have always been an integral part of this nation's early exploration and California's discovery and early settlement; and

WHEREAS, while the impact of the Hispanic culture and traditions are manifested in our State's customs, traditions, and laws; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans continue to make important contributions to our society in American government, business, agriculture, commerce, armed forces, education, the arts, science, and sports; and

WHEREAS, the *History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve* states that the history curriculum of community, state, region, nation, and world must reflect the experiences of men and women of different racial, religious, and ethnic groups throughout the curriculum at every grade level; and

WHEREAS, the California State Board of Education recognized in its Multicultural Education Policy that each student needs an opportunity to understand the common humanity underlying all people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mt. Diablo Unified School District proclaims the month beginning September 14 and ending on October 14 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all schools to commemorate this occasion with appropriate instructional materials; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to all schools within the district.

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