Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Resolution No. 15/16-42 Recognition of California High School Voter Education Weeks April 18-29, 2016

WHEREAS, the Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education is committed to strengthening democracy by encouraging voter registration and increasing participation in all elections by all eligible voters in the county,

WHEREAS, the strength of our democracy depends on the active participation of all its citizens, regardless of age, and voter registration and participation of youth is historically low,

WHEREAS, young people play a critical role in our democracy by helping to choose the people who will lead us by voicing their opinions on the issues that are important to them,

WHEREAS, high schools are encouraged to offer voter registration to eligible students with either paper registration applications or a link on the high school website to the state's online voter registration application,

WHEREAS, high school administrators are encouraged to implement strategies to encourage student voter registration during High School Voter Registration Weeks,

WHEREAS, students are encouraged to participate in our democracy through civics and voter education programs and by encouraging their peers and the members of their family and communities to register to vote and participate in elections,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District encourages all schools to participate in CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL VOTER EDUCATION WEEKS, April 18-29, 2016.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education on April 25, 2016.

Signed:

Cheryl Hansen, President

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Date