MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION ON NATIONAL FAMILY LITERACY AND ADULT EDUCATION WEEK September 22 – 28, 2019 Resolution # 19/20-18

WHEREAS, from September 22 through September 28, 2019, is annual **National Family Literacy and Adult Education Week** Mt. Diablo Unified School District acknowledges that Mt. Diablo Adult Education provides the MDUSD community by providing a range of critical literacy and adult educational programs, which support the economic and societal well being of the community; and

WHEREAS, the literacy of the people of the United States is essential for the economic and societal well-being of the United States; *and* parental involvement in a child's education is a key predictor of a child's success, and the level of parental involvement in a child's education increases as the educational level of the parent increases; *and* as a result of family literacy programs, the lives of children become more stable, and their success in the classroom and in future endeavors becomes more likely; and

Mt. Diablo Adult Education provides aforementioned programs and services at two **Family Literacy Centers** at elementary schools and family literacy programs at other elementary sites for parents and young children to learn together; and provides a range of **Parent Education** programs and services for parents with children, from infancy to high school; and **English as a Second Language (ESL)** training from literacy to advanced for MDUSD families and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, many high school dropouts do not have the literacy skills to complete their education, transition to postsecondary education or vocational training, or become employed; *and* the economy and our country's position in the world marketplace depend on having a literate, skilled population; *and* inclusion of all citizens in local economic and workforce development is critical to healthy communities; and

Mt. Diablo Adult Education provides aforementioned programs and services through its Adult Basic Education, High School Diploma and High School Equivalency classes for adults in need of basic and secondary academic skills and credentials; and provides Career Technical Education programs and classes in partnership with local employers, leading to employment for graduates in demand occupations; and specialized programs for Adults with Disabilities serving differently-abled adults, including adults with Acquired Brain Injury, Developmental Disabilities, and those with Asperger's Syndrome.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mt. Diablo Unified School District Board of Education, in recognition of the contribution Mt. Diablo Adult Education makes to MDUSD families and the community at large hereby proclaims:

• National Family Literacy and Adult Education Week within MDUSD, the week of September 22 – 28, 2019

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mt. Diablo School District Board of Education on September 23, 2019:

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