

**BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-013**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF “United Against Hate Week in Berkeley”**

WHEREAS, since January 2017, there has been an alarming increase in fringe ideologies using hatred as a means of intimidation; and

WHEREAS, numerous policy positions, from wanting to build a wall to most recently separating families at the border, combined with the actions and rhetoric of President Trump, have fueled the normalization of hateful and racist discourse; and

WHEREAS, attacks on immigrants, synagogues, Muslims, people of color, women, the LGBTQI community, and our most vulnerable are now more frequent, resulting in an uptick in hate crimes and the open promotion of xenophobic ideas; and

WHEREAS, in response to the numerous events and to clearly state our shared value, Berkeley developed the Berkeley Stands United Against Hate campaign, which was adopted by several other cities in the Bay Area, and served as a uniting and hopeful beacon amidst a challenging time, declaring our commitment to inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, to further respond to the divide currently facing our nation, cities across the Bay Area are organizing a “No Hate Week” that will take place November 17-22, 2019;

THEREFORE, the Berkeley Unified School District declares November 17-22, 2019 as “No Hate Week” and will support and encourage appropriate educational and community events.

PASSED AND ADOPTED unanimously by Board of Education of the Berkeley Unified School District on this 23rd day of October 2019