

CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL RESOLUTION #24/25-12

**IN SUPPORT OF
NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

WHEREAS, In 1990 Congress passed a resolution that was signed into law by President George H. W. Bush, declaring the entire month of November as “National American Indian Heritage Month.” It has since been renamed Native American Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, November was chosen as the month to honor Native Americans to call attention to the culture, traditions, music, crafts, dance, and accomplishments of the nation’s original inhabitants and their descendants; and

WHEREAS, the Chumash historically inhabited the central and southern coastal regions of California, in portions of what is now San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, and Los Angeles counties, extending from Morro Bay in the north to Malibu in the south. They also resided on several of the Channel Islands: Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa, San Miguel, and Anacapa.

WHEREAS, the Conejo Valley Unified School District is located on Indigenous land. In recognizing the traditional custodians of the land, we pay respect for the Chumash people, the history and culture of the community, and all Native Americans as America’s First Peoples. We pay respect to the Chumash Elders past, present, and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, and the culture of this area, which continues as a place of learning.

WHEREAS, Native American Heritage Month is an opportunity for the Conejo Valley Unified School District to honor the important contributions, achievements, and sacrifices, Native Americans have made distinctive to Ventura County and across the state of California and the United States; and

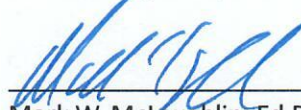
WHEREAS, The proclamation celebrates the contributions of the American Indians and urges parents and students to learn more about the American Indian cultures both locally and throughout the United States; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Conejo Valley Unified School District proclaims November 2024, as Native American Heritage Month.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Annual Resolution duly passed and adopted by the said Board of Education at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting held on October 23, 2024.



Bill Gorbach, Clerk, Board of Education



Mark W. McLaughlin, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Education