

August 20, 2024

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Board Meeting – August 20, 2024

Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

- D. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 5 to Recognize September 21-27, 2024, as United Against Hate Week

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 5 as part of the regular County Board meeting on August 20, 2024; and further recognized September 21-27, 2024, as United Against Hate Week and encourages communities to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities that include seven days of action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our schools and surrounding communities.

Resolution No. 5 follows on the next page.

Next Steps:

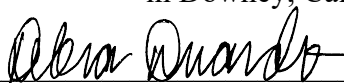
- Disseminate both the L.A. vs Hate School and the Explore Justice Toolkits to LEA staff via various listservs, including Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and Student Support Services.
- Post and promote United Against Hate Week on social media.
- Promote United Against Hate Week with and provide resources to Counselors and Student Support Services Administrators during job-alike meetings.
- Uplift activities and strategies to build awareness and reduce hate within the school community.

BOARD RESOLUTION
No. 5: 2024-25
United Against Hate Week

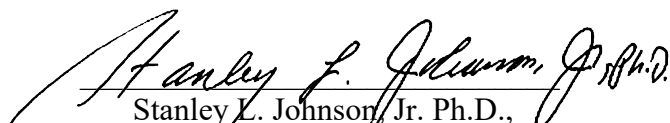
- WHEREAS,** there has been an alarming increase in expressions of hate and hate ideologies as a means of intimidation in our communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the danger of hate, racism, and bigotry grow more apparent every day and the need for local action could not be more urgent
- WHEREAS,** attacks on immigrants, people of color, women, places of worship, the LGBTQIA community and our most vulnerable are now more frequent, resulting in an increase in hate crimes and hate related incidents.
- WHEREAS,** United Against Hate Week is a call for seven days of local civic action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our neighborhoods, towns and cities.
- WHEREAS,** LA vs Hate United Against Hate Week was created in direct response to the rise in hate crimes and bias incidents that pose a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of Los Angeles County neighborhoods.
- WHEREAS,** United Against Hate Week has spread to over 200+ communities including all of Los Angeles County, faith-based groups, LGBTQ and human rights organizations and is beginning to takeoff throughout California and in communities across the U.S.
- WHEREAS,** awareness can be increased by posting signs, distributing resources, hosting events, sharing stories and connecting with schools and neighborhood civic institutions.
- WHEREAS,** the week of action is designed to raise awareness about the dangers of hate and the need for respect and civil discourse among all county residents and students.
- WHEREAS,** this is a great opportunity to engage youth around civic engagement and involvement in social justice issues related to reducing incidents of hate within their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Board of Education recognizes September 21-27, 2024, as United Against Hate Week and encourages communities to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities that include seven days of action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our schools and surrounding communities in solidarity with the United Against Hate Week Coalition.

ADOPTED this 20th day of August 2024, by the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.



Debra Duardo, M.S.W., Ed.D.
Superintendent



Stanley L. Johnson, Jr. Ph.D.,
Board President