## LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

September 17, 2024

APPROVED: DD:br

Board Meeting – September 17, 2024

## Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

I. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 17 to Recognize October 2, 2024, as Clean Air Day

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 17 as part of the regular County Board meeting on September 17, 2024; and further recognized October 2, 2024, as California Clean Air Day calls upon districts, schools and other educational organizations in the County to pledge their support in helping clear the air for all Californians. Air pollution affects students, teachers and staff. Clean air increases attendance rates, productivity and performance.

Resolution No. 17 follows on the next page.

## **Next Steps:**

• LACOE will celebrate the steps that staff have taken to contribute to clean air and California Clean Air Day on Wednesday October 2, 2024, with a gathering outside the Education Center beginning at 8 a.m.

## BOARD RESOLUTION No. 17: 2024-2025

Recognize October 2, 2024, as California Clean Air Day

WHEREAS,	air pollution contributes to higher rates of cancer, heart and lung diseases, which adversely affect health; and
WHEREAS,	California has some of the most polluted regions in the United States; and
WHEREAS,	it is vital that we protect the health and well-being of our employees, residents, visitors, and students; and
WHEREAS,	emissions from vehicles, industry and household sources significantly affect the natural environment, air quality and well-being of employees, residents, visitors and students in the County of Los Angeles; and
WHEREAS,	air pollution contributes to one million school student absences in California a year; and
WHEREAS,	individual actions such as not idling vehicles, walking, biking or carpooling to work and school, reducing waste sent to landfills and conserving energy, can directly improve air quality in our region; and
WHEREAS,	everyone can play a role; and
WHEREAS,	education about air quality can raise community awareness, encourage our community to develop better habits and improve our community health; and
WHEREAS,	Californians will be joining together across the state to clear the air on October 2, 2024; and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Angeles County Board of Education hereby declares October 2nd as California Clean Air Day and calls upon	

**ADOPTED** this 17th day of September 2024, by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.

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