## MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution No. 15/16-21

## HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights was signed on December 10, 1948 and includes the idea that we all "strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms;" and

**WHEREAS**, December 10 of each year is recognized by the United Nations and member states as International Human Rights Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the struggle to achieve universal observance of and respect for the inalienable Human Rights of all people in all places continues; and

WHEREAS, human rights promote peace, equality, and moral improvement; and

**WHEREAS**, youth play a vital role in the future of society, and knowledge of human rights allows youth to become more informed citizens with the ability to develop morals and to become better human beings; and

**WHEREAS**, the *History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools*, *Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve* states that "concern for ethics and human rights is universal and represents the aspirations of men and women in every time and place;" and

**WHEREAS**, the people, groups, parties, and organizations who have worked for and continue to work toward the realization of universal human rights have shaped the history of the United States and of the world;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mt. Diablo Unified School District proclaims December 10<sup>th</sup> as Human Rights Day and encourages all schools to commemorate this occasion with appropriate instructional materials; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution be distributed to all schools within the district.

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