SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 9.2__

Meeting Date: May 4, 2023

Subject: Approval of Hmong American Day Resolution 3318

- ☐ Information Item Only
- ☐ Approval on Consent Agenda
- ☐ Conference (for discussion only)
- ☐ Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- ☐ Conference/Action
- ☒ Action
- ☐ Public Hearing

Division: Board of Education

Recommendation: Approval of Hmong American Day Resolution 3318

Background/Rationale: The approval of the attached Resolution recognizes Hmong American Day on May 14, a time to remember, celebrate and honor Hmong people's history, culture, stories and contributions.

Financial Considerations: None.

LCAP Goals: Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

Documents Attached:
Resolution 3318

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes
Submitted by: Chinua Rhodes, Board President
Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

AMENDED

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HMONG AMERICAN DAY RESOLUTION NO. 3318

WHEREAS, May 14, 2023, marks the forty-eighth anniversary of the fall of Long Cheng, a United States-Hmong airbase in Laos during the Laotian Civil War where the Hmong allied with the United States fought together in Laos against the North Vietnamese, also known as the Secret War from 1961-1975; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000-40,000 Hmong soldiers were killed during the Secret War, that included many Hmong soldiers who were under 18 years old, the United States helped Hmong refugees flee to Thailand on May 14, 1975 and more than 100,000 Hmong refugees to come to the United States starting in December, 1975; and

WHEREAS, May 14 (Hmong American Day) is a time to remember and honor Hmong people's history, stories, and contributions in the Vietnam War. May 14, 1975, was the last airlift evacuation of Hmong soldiers and families from Laos to a refugee camp in Thailand; and

WHEREAS, Many Hmong refugees and their families immigrated to the United States, and today over 40,000 of the more than 325,000 Hmong Americans are residents of Sacramento County; and

WHEREAS, Like many immigrant groups before them, Hmong refugees resettled to the United States to escape war and persecution, to find opportunities and to better their lives and the lives of their children; and

WHEREAS, Hmong Americans are helping build a vibrant and diverse California, contributing socially, politically, and economically to our State, many of the Hmong have become America's success stories from having nothing to becoming educators, engineers, nurses, doctors, lawyers, professional athletes, fire fighters, soldiers, elected officials and more. Today recognizes and celebrates the history, culture, and contributions of Hmong Americans in California.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education, do hereby recognize May 14, 2023, as Hmong American Day.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 4th day of May, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: ____
NOES: ____
ABSTAIN: ____
ABSENT: ____

AMENDED

ATTESTED TO:

Chinua Rhodes	Jorge A. Aguilar
President of the Board of Education	Secretary of the Board of Education