

## SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 7.1

Meeting Date: November 21, 2019			
<u>Subject</u> : Approve Resolution No. 3111: Recognition of National Native American Heritage Month, November 2019			
Information Item Only Approval on Consent Agenda Conference (for discussion only) Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated:) Conference/Action Action Public Hearing			
<u>Division</u> : Board Office			
<b>Recommendation</b> : Approve Resolution No. 3111: Recognition of National Native American Heritage Month, November 2019.			
<b>Background/Rationale:</b> November has been designated as National Native American Heritage Month. The Resolution honors the contributions of Native Americans to the history of the United States. It also outlines the need to more effectively improve the academic and social-emotional outcomes for Native American students within SCUSD.			
Financial Considerations: None			
LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment			

Estimated Time of Presentation: 5 minutes

<u>Documents Attached:</u>
1. Resolution No. 3111

Submitted by: Nathaniel Browning, Policy and Governance

Manager for the Board of Education

Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 3111**

## RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, NOVEMBER 2019

**WHEREAS**, the United States celebrates National Native American Heritage Month every year in November;

**WHEREAS,** National Native American Heritage Month is an opportunity to consider and recognize the contributions of Native Americans to the history of the United States;

**WHEREAS,** Native Americans are the original, Indigenous people of what is now the United States:

**WHEREAS,** SCUSD is committed to improving the academic and social-emotional outcomes for Native American students and all students in the region;

**WHEREAS,** SCUSD's American Indian Education Program (AIEP) provides tutoring, cultural programs, back to school events, field trips and graduation recognitions for American Indian students enrolled in the program;

WHEREAS, Gov. Jerry Brown signed AB 738, which requires the state's Instructional Quality Commission to create a Native American studies class curriculum for high schools that will satisfy the elective course requirements for admission to the University of California and California State and AB 2016, which creates an elective high school ethnic studies course that could also include Native American history and culture;

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Census estimated that 5.2 million people in the United States and more than 723,000 people in California identified as American Indian;

WHEREAS, 2018-19 Dataquest information indicates there are 32,500 Native American students in California and 273 in SCUSD, who can access education and health services and resources through the Sacramento Native American Health Center, American Indian Child Resource Center, and other local partners;

WHEREAS, Native Americans maintain vibrant cultures and traditions, hold a deeply rooted sense of community and have made and continue to make distinct and important contributions to the United States and the rest of the world in many fields, including the fields of agriculture, medicine, music, language, and art.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education recognizes November 2019 as National Native American Heritage Month.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education urges schools within the District to observe National Native American Heritage Month and Native American Heritage Day with appropriate programs and activities.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 21st day of November, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:		
ATTESTED TO:		
Jessie Ryan President of the Board of Education	Jorge A. Aguilar Superintendent	