RESOLUTION 22/23-01

IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

WHEREAS, National Bullying Prevention Month was founded in 2006 by PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center to raise awareness about bullying; and

WHEREAS, more than one in five students will be bullied this year, and chances are this could be happening to someone you know and care about, and

WHEREAS, bullying, previously viewed as "a childhood rite of passage" that "makes kids tougher" can leave devastating and often long-term effects like loss of self-esteem increased anxiety, depression, lower academic achievement, dropping out of school, or suicide; and

WHEREAS, bias-based and multiple bias-based bullying (bullying because of social identity, race, gender, ethnicity, religion, disability, or sexual orientation) does more harm to students than generalized bullying; and

WHEREAS, the Conejo Valley Unified School District recognizes that no one deserves to be bullied and all students deserve to be safe in school, online, and in the community and that bullying is not acceptable; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Conejo Valley Unified School District, does hereby support National Bullying Prevention Month and the proclamation of October 2022 as National Bullying Prevention Month in the District, and encourages students, staff, and parents to "Take the Pledge" against bullying by supporting others who have been hurt or harmed, treating others with kindness, being more accepting of people's differences, and helping to include those who are left out.

Rocky Capobianco, Clerk, Board of Education

Mark W. McLaughlin, Ed.D., Superintendent and

Secretary to the Board