

**PROCLAMATION #22/23-04**

**INCLUSIVE SCHOOLS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, Inclusive Schools Week is an annual event celebrated the first full week in December. Since its inception in 2001, Inclusive Schools Week has celebrated the progress schools have made in providing a supportive and quality education to our diverse student population, including students who are marginalized due to disability, race, gender, socio-economic status, cultural heritage, language preference, and other factors; and

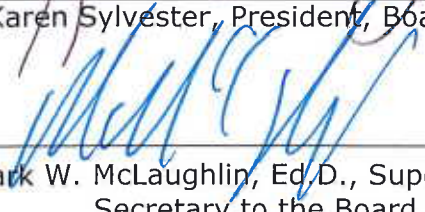
**WHEREAS**, from ancient civilizations to the present time, unity and connection have been essential for communities to survive and thrive. United together communities remain strong even in the face of danger, threats, or peril. The ancient and wise proverb, "Together We Stand, Divided We Fall," appeared in literature dating back to the sixth century BC"; and

**WHEREAS**, building on last year's Inclusive Schools Week theme, "Rebuilding our Inclusive Community," the theme for 2022 Inclusive Schools Week is "Unity within Community-Inclusion Around the World." United, we are stronger to focus on the common needs of our students and inclusive practices in our schools and our community; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Conejo Valley Unified School District does hereby support Inclusive Schools Week and the proclamation of December 5-9, 2022, as Inclusive Schools Week in the District, and encourages students, parents, staff, and community members to stand together as we continue to address the needs of our students; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Conejo Valley Unified School District Board of Education supports National Inclusive Schools Week and encourages its students, parents, and staff to communicate, build relationships, and work in harmony to move closer to the vision of an inclusive world.

  
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Karen Sylvester, President, Board of Education

  
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Mark W. McLaughlin, Ed.D., Superintendent and  
Secretary to the Board

November 15, 2022