



San Diego Unified School District Board of Education

PROCLAMATION

Presented by Trustees Kevin Beiser and Dr. Michael McQuary

In Support and Recognition of Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), San Diego Chapter

WHEREAS, for 10 years the San Diego Chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) has been involved in constructive civic engagement in San Diego and Imperial Counties; and

WHEREAS, CAIR-San Diego works to promote not only religious and cultural tolerance and understanding but also justice and equality for all who live in the United States; and

WHEREAS, with the guidance of Executive Director Hanif Mohebi, CAIR-San Diego has joined the district's Office of Race/Human Relations and Advocacy in promoting equitable educational opportunity for all students and preparing them to succeed in a culturally diverse society; and

WHEREAS, CAIR-San Diego has partnered with the district in mediating situations in the schools that involve discrimination and other behavioral issues; and

WHEREAS, working with California CAIR, CAIR-San Diego was instrumental in drafting a well-researched report on school bullying that has been presented to the district; and

WHEREAS, to further encourage participation in civic life, every year CAIR-San Diego selects local high school juniors and seniors to participate in a mock California Legislature, which takes place in the Capitol in Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, November 14, 2015, CAIR-San Diego will celebrate its 10th Anniversary with a banquet, *Strengthening Our Voices, Advancing Together*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the San Diego Unified School District Board of Education that it recognizes CAIR-San Diego and thanks the organization for its 10 years of teaching students to accept and honor religious and cultural differences among their peers.

Adopted and approved by the Board of Education of the San Diego Unified School District at a regular meeting held on the 10th of November 2015.

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