



**Yolo County Board of Education and
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools**

**Resolution #22/23-20
Indigenous Peoples’ Day (October 10, 2022)**

WHEREAS, Native Americans are considered to be the first Americans to live in and populate the United States and by the time the first explorers and settlers arrived from Europe, Native Americans had populated the entire North American continent, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Gulf of Mexico all the way to the northern reaches of Canada; and

WHEREAS, many of our students and families are descended from the Indigenous People of the Americas, including the original inhabitants of the lands that now constitute the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America and the Caribbean; and

WHEREAS, “Indigenous Peoples’ Day” reimagines Columbus Day and changes a celebration of colonialism into an opportunity to reveal historical truths about the genocide and oppression of indigenous peoples in the Americas, to organize against current injustices, and to celebrate indigenous resistance; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples’ Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, representing 59 Tribes from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Northern California, Western Montana, and some Alaskan Tribes, passed resolution #11-57 to “Support to Change Columbus Day (2nd Monday of October) to Indigenous Peoples’ Day”; and


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools shall recognize October 10, 2022, as “Indigenous Peoples’ Day” and encourage the participation in meaningful activities that recognize the contributions of Indigenous Peoples to the community, state and nation.


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools at a meeting held on October 11, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: Esquivel, Souza Cole, Yip, Zendejas

NOES: None

ABSENT: Moreno


Tico Zendejas, Vice President
Yolo County Board of Education


Garth Lewis
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools