Resolution of the Board of Trustees Regarding Closure of Schools for Remainder of the 2019–20 School Year

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization officially declared COVID-19 a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom ordered all individuals living in the State of California to stay home except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the critical infrastructure sectors; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout California, necessitating guidance and action from federal, state and local officials; and

WHEREAS, the NAME OF LOCAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH has issued an order to stay home except for essential needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has a substantial public interest in protecting the health and safety of students, staff and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the importance of ensuring social distancing and remaining at home as much as possible in order to help California flatten the curve of positive COVID-19 cases;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the NAME OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OR COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, in compliance with guidance for Local Educational Agencies issued via Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-26-20 on March 13, 2020, and in acknowledgment of the serious and unique health risk posed by COVID-19, hereby closes all its schools for the duration of the 2019–20 school year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District/COE will work to continue delivering high-quality educational opportunities to students through distance learning, independent study and other options; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District/COE will work to continue to safely provide school meals through the Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer Option, consistent with the requirements of the California Department of Education and U.S. Department of Agriculture; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District/COE will work to arrange for supervision for students during ordinary school hours, to the extent practicable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District/COE will work to ensure that certified and classified employees continue to be paid to the extent possible and as provided under Executive Order N-26-20.

Adopted this ____ day of the month of _________________ in 2020.

Motion made by: __________________________________________________________

Second made by: __________________________________________________________

List members voting "aye:” __________________________________________________

List members voting "no:” __________________________________________________

List members abstaining: _________________________________________________

List members not present: ________________________________________________