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Resolution No. 2021/22-18  
Date: November 10, 2021

**A Resolution Recognizing and Supporting the Placing of Peace Poles on School Campuses Across Santa Rosa City Schools as a Way to Inspire Students and School Community Members of All Faiths, Non-Faiths, Cultures and Ethnicities to Recognize the Importance of Peaceful Learning And Living**

**WHEREAS**, Peace Poles For Schools began in 2001 by Major Reneé Marie, U.S. Army Retired (2017) and a recognized Volunteer Peace Representative of May Peace Prevail On Earth International in order to establish a tangible, inspiring reminder to embrace and cultivate peaceful thoughts, words and actions within and between all people and

**WHEREAS**, "May Peace Prevail On Earth", was authored by Masahisa Goi, Japan (1916-1980), in 1955 (<https://www.worldpeace.org/founder/>) and has become the most recognized, non-sectarian, non-political, international wish for goodwill, diplomacy and collaborative world peace now appearing on every continent and

**WHEREAS**, May Peace Prevail On Earth International is an all inclusive, all embracing, not-for-profit organization associated with the Department of Public Information at the United Nations and

**WHEREAS**, The Peace Pole Project began in the United States in 1986. There are now over 200 thousand Peace Poles planted around the World with many of these being on public and private school campuses and

**WHEREAS**, Peace Poles are four-sided Poles, between six and eight feet tall, inscribed with the universal message of hope, "May Peace Prevail On Earth" in English on one side and up to seven additional languages which are chosen by the school community, to represent the diversity within their school (such as: Spanish, Russian, Pomo, Mandarin, Japanese, Arabic, Somali, etc.) and

**WHEREAS**, May Peace Prevail On Earth is a registered trademark of May Peace Prevail On Earth International. It can be freely used to promote peace and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Rosa East-West Rotary Club and Veterans For Peace (Chapter 71) have made a financial commitment to support Peace Poles For Schools throughout Sonoma County and

**WHEREAS**, some schools in the Santa Rosa City Schools District have already received Peace Poles; district leaders now seek to establish this action as a standard for every campus in solidarity with people of the world - all ages, ethnicities, faith, non-faith or political structure as a gesture of intentional, non-violent collaboration and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Rosa City Schools District Board of Education recognize, on behalf of all students and school community members, and do hereby approve continued support of this action and urge all citizens to embrace this most worthy educational pursuit on November 10, 2021.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the following vote of the Governing Board of Santa Rosa City Schools, County of Sonoma, State of California on November 10, 2021.

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Ever Flores, Clerk of the Board

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