**Resolution in Support of Gun Violence Prevention**

[School District] Public Schools—Board of Education

WHEREAS, all students deserve safe, welcoming, supportive school environments where they can learn and thrive without fear; and

WHEREAS, no parent should send his or her child to school and fear that the child may never come home; and

WHEREAS, it is the right of every student to be safe from the threat of gun violence in their schools and their communities; and

WHEREAS, it is the right of every school district employee—administrators, principals, teachers, paraprofessionals and other school staff—to live and work in environments that are safe from the threat of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, no academic faculty, professional faculty, staff or student in an institution of higher education should attend class or engage in campus life under the threat of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, more than 150,000 students attending more than 170 primary and secondary schools have experienced a shooting on their school campus since the Columbine High School massacre in 1999; and

WHEREAS, from Columbine, to Virginia Tech, to Sandy Hook, to Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., on Feb. 14, 2018, the lives of hundreds of students and school employees have been lost to gun violence; and

WHEREAS, since 2013, there have been 291 shootings on elementary, middle and high school and college campuses in the United States—with 168 of those shootings occurring at K-12 schools; and

WHEREAS, gun violence threatens millions of students and educators on a daily basis outside of school grounds, especially in communities of color; and

WHEREAS, the threat of gun violence presents a clear and present danger to the students, parents, educators, administrators and other school staff of the [School District]:

RESOLVED, that it is long past time when inaction on gun violence is ethically or morally acceptable; and

RESOLVED, that the [School District] Board of Education stands with students, parents and educators across the nation, and reaffirms and demands that all students have the right to attend schools and live in communities that are safe from gun violence; and

RESOLVED, that the [School District] Board of Education reaffirms its commitment to ongoing review and improvement of school safety plans and emergency preparedness, and to continuing to work with law enforcement partners to address threats of gun violence; and

RESOLVED, that the [School District] Board of Education reaffirms its commitment to adequate resources and staff to support student mental health and well-being; and

RESOLVED, that the [School District] Board of Education endorses and encourages participation in the student-led March for Our Lives on March 24, 2018; and

RESOLVED, that the [School District] Board of Education endorses and encourages participation in the National Day of Action Against Gun Violence in Schools on April 20, 2018, including a walkout from 10 to 10:17 a.m. to honor students who have lost their lives to gun violence.

ADOPTED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2018.