Resolution

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-20-32

Recognizing and Honoring

Salinas High School
100 Years on Main Street

WHEREAS, with a strong commitment and mission for all students to excel in academics, athletics and activities, Salinas High School is celebrating “100 Years on Main Street” with a ceremony and open house on February 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, established in 1882 in a building on West Alisal Street across from the courthouse that served up to 30 students, Salinas High School moved to its current location at 729 Main Street in 1920 and today enrolls over 2,700 students; and

WHEREAS, the first of five public high schools of the Salinas Union High School District, serving students from 9th to 12th grades, Salinas High School is home to the Salinas Cowboys and has earned a reputation for pursuing excellence in education with high expectations of its students and quality educational experiences where students have excelled over the past century; and

WHEREAS, in 1919 the school district sought bond approval to build a new Salinas High School, designed by Ralph Wycoff with a Spanish Revival style on South Main St. with a capacity of 600 students, and a portion of the high school's south wing dedicated to a newly established Salinas Junior College; and

WHEREAS, damaged by the Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989, the Salinas High School buildings were closed and some demolished and a portable campus was established as they rebuilt and renovated the campus, adding a new wing, gym and student center and shop to the school; and

WHEREAS, recognized and regularly mentioned as one of the most beautiful high schools across the country, Salinas High School's original main wing architecture and iconic bell tower was renovated and stands proudly as an iconic landmark in Salinas; and

WHEREAS, creating a 100th Anniversary Commemorative Pin, Salinas High School will celebrate with a pop-up museum highlighting the past century, a time capsule, and band, cheer, and choir performances to celebrate the positive and meaningful milestones made over the years, and to look onward to the next 100 years on Main Street:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Monterey County Board of Education does hereby present Resolution Number 19-20-32 to congratulate Salinas High School and the Salinas Union High School District for providing a challenging, meaningful and rewarding educational environment for students at their Main Street site for over a century.

Passed and Adopted on the Twelfth Day of February, 2020

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