FREMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION #2021-19

CONDEMNING VIOLENCE AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Fremont Union High School District unanimously passed a resolution denouncing xenophobia due to fears of the COVID-19 pandemic and affirming the Board's commitment to the well-being and safety of Asian American staff and students on May 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board renews its commitment to the safety and well-being of all ethnic populations, including Asian Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area has seen an increase of physical attacks on its Asian American community members, many of whom are elderly. Hate crimes are on the rise during the COVID-19 pandemic, with Santa Clara County seeing its highest incidents in 2020 in a decade; and

WHEREAS, the reporting center Stop AAPI Hate has chronicled at least 3,795 hate incidents against Asian Americans since March of 2020; and

WHEREAS, in Santa Clara County, one of the first minority-majority counties in the nation, Asians have been the largest racial group since 2014, and currently, Asians make up nearly 38 percent of the county's population; and

WHEREAS, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed on February 23, 2021 the larger AB 85 pandemic budget bill, which includes \$1.4 million earmarked for researchers at the Asian American Studies Center at the University of California Los Angeles and the Stop AAPI Hate reporting center; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to serving, inspiring, and promoting all students and public school success; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Fremont Union High School District reaffirm its support of and stand together with our Asian American community members, promote their overall safety and well-being, and denounces hate crimes of any nature.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Fremont Union High School District this 23rd day of March, 2021, at their regular meeting held via Zoom.

President of the Governing Board	Clerk of the Governing Board	