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Board Cover Memorandum

To Board of Education

From Board of Education

Meeting Date May 11, 2022

Subject Resolution No. 2122-0231 - Tribute to Samantha Pal, Student Board Member, July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022

Ask of the Board Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 2122-0231- Tribute to Samantha Pal, Student Director

Background & Discussion Student Director Samantha Pal, who grew up in Oakland, has served as one of two student directors on the OUSD Board of Education since July 1, 2020. Her term ends June 30, 2022. The Resolution acknowledges and appreciates Director Pal’ activism and contribution to her community and the Oakland Unified School District, including her leading with strong social emotional skills to encourage students of color to have a voice in Board decisions. Director Pal graduates from Oakland High School on Thursday, May 26, 2022, and will be attending a Community College in the area this Fall.

Fiscal Impact None.

Attachment(s)

- Resolution No. 2122-0231- Tribute to Samantha Pal, Student Board Member, July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Resolution No. 2122-0231

Tribute To Samantha Pal, Student Board Member, July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022

WHEREAS, Student Director Samantha Pal, who grew up in Oakland, is an active organizer in her community, and a powerful advocate for students while serving two terms on the OUSD School Board;

WHEREAS, Director Pal has been committed to uplifting student voice in the Student Director reports and in her engagement at Board meetings. She has been intensely focused on supporting her fellow students through the pandemic, and brought forth critical information by surveying students about their physical and mental health needs during the pandemic;

WHEREAS, Director Pal served as Associated Student Body Vice President at Oakland High School and leads the school-wide Delegate Assembly, where her fellow student government officers organize events and raise money for special projects;

WHEREAS, Director Pal has served on the All City Council (ACC) Student Union as ACC Media Director for 2019-2020 and Student Director for 2020-2021 and 2021-22, leading with strong social emotional skills to encourage students of color to have a voice in Board decisions;

WHEREAS, Director Pal's resilience, passion, leadership, and commitment to uplifting student voice leave a powerful and positive legacy for future student organizers and Student Directors;

WHEREAS, after graduating from Oakland High School on Friday, May 26, 2022, Director Pal will leave her position as Student Director on the Board of Education of Oakland Unified School District on June 30, 2022;

WHEREAS, Director Pal, will be a first-generation college student attending a California Community College in the Fall;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District thanks Director Pal for her dedicated service to the students, staff, and families of Oakland, commends her for the passion and commitment with which she gave a powerful voice to the students of the District, and wishes her well in all of her future endeavors.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 11th day of May, 2022, in Oakland, California.

(DISTRICT
SEAL)

Gary Yee
President, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District

Kyla Johnson-Trammell
Superintendent of Schools
Oakland Unified School District

Passed by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE: Natalie Gallegos Chavez

PREFERENTIAL NAY: None

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION: None

PREFERENTIAL RECUSAL: None

AYE: Aimee Eng, Mike Hutchinson, Clifford Thompson, Vice President Benjamin "Sam" Davis

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: None

RECUSED: None

ABSENT: VanCedric Williams, (Vacancy), President Gary Yee

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on May 11, 2022.



Gary Yee, President, Board of Education



Kyla Johnson Trammell, Secretary, Board of Education

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