



**OAKLAND UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*Community Schools, Thriving Students*

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
of the  
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Resolution No. 1415-1122F**

*Tribute to Lauren Mascarenaz in Recognition of  
Attaining National Board Certified Teacher Status*

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**WHEREAS**, Lauren Mascarenaz, REACH Academy, has earned the distinction of National Board Certified Teacher in the area of Reading-Language Arts/Early and Middle Childhood, and

**WHEREAS**, Designation as a National Board Certified Teacher is one of the highest honors in the education profession and an indication of superior competency and dedication; and

**WHEREAS**, National Board Certified Teachers have mastery over the subjects they teach as well as a deep understanding of the history and real-world applications of the subject; and

**WHEREAS**, National Board Certified Teachers know how to assess the progress of individual students as well as the class as a whole and can explain student performance to parents; and

**WHEREAS**, National Board Certified Teachers are familiar with learning theories and instructional strategies, critically examine their practice on a regular basis, expand their repertoire of skills and incorporate new findings into their practice; and

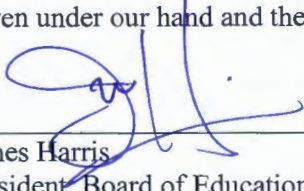
**WHEREAS**, National Board Certified Teachers are concerned with the development of character and civic responsibility and model what it means to be an educated person - they read, they question, they create and they are willing to try new things; and

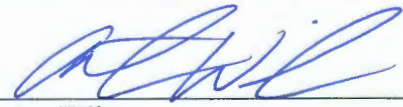
**WHEREAS**, REACH Principal John Rastatter notes that Ms. Mascarenaz has demonstrated mastery level instruction in the Balanced Literacy Curriculum, and in her role as upper grade 3-5 Balanced Literacy Teacher Leader has significantly contributed to continued staff development and student success, and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Mascarenaz has served effectively and selflessly as an active member of the REACH Instructional Leadership Team, sharing knowledge and support with colleagues to enrich and enhance their professional development and to the ultimate benefit of REACH students,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education and Superintendent of the Oakland Unified School District salute Lauren Mascarenaz for exhibiting professional excellence on a national level and for attaining the distinguished rank of National Board Certified Teacher in the 2014-15 school year.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 10th Day of June 2015 at Oakland, California.

  
James Harris  
President, Board of Education  
Oakland Unified School District

  
Antwan Wilson  
Superintendent  
Oakland Unified School District