

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
No. 1819-0125**

**Tribute - Nina Senn - Board Member - District 4
January 4, 2015 through January 7, 2019**

WHEREAS, in 2014, Nina Senn ran for public office for the first time after serving as a parent leader in Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) schools for more than ten years and won a race with four candidates to serve as the District 4 Director on the Oakland Unified School District Board of Education,

WHEREAS, Director Senn served with distinction throughout her four year term on the Board, including serving as the Board's Vice President for two years,

WHEREAS, Director Senn focused on ways to attract and retain teachers, improve school culture and climate, and gain more access to resources; studied the issues and pressed for solutions; voiced her opinion at strategic times; and cast her votes by leading with integrity and approaching the work through an equity lens,

WHEREAS, Director Senn championed significant funding commitments for Restorative Justice that enabled its implementation in numerous elementary schools and nearly every middle and high school, supported efforts and advocated for greater fiscal transparency and accountability, led an ad hoc legislative taskforce to advocate for budget relief, newcomer and career technical grants and other legislative efforts at various levels of government leading to millions of dollars in grants and support,

WHEREAS, Director Senn advocated for more frequent negotiation sessions with the Oakland Education Association to help close the 2015 teacher contract, co-led negotiations to maintain AC Transit supplementary bus service to Skyline, Montera and Community Day schools, was the Board of Education signatory and on the campaign committee for Measure G1 to increase educator compensation and create funding for middle school enrichment and positive school culture and climate in 2016, a measure that Oakland voters passed and is resulting in \$144 million more in funding over 12 years,

WHEREAS, Director Senn co-developed Board professional development with highly regarded instructors and facilitators to improve board communications and fiscal understanding, co-created new formats for Board community engagement meetings, and co-created new processes for recruiting and evaluating a new superintendent and general counsel,

WHEREAS, Director Senn authored, sponsored, and advocated for policies or revisions related to Board and Superintendent roles, Board meetings and norms, restorative student discipline,

contract due diligence, human sex trafficking prevention, credit recovery, Full and Fair Funding, Alameda County Measure A, Proposition 51, Community Schools City-Wide Plan, school safety, the Funding for Schools and Communities Act (Proposition 13 reform) and Fiscal Tax Relief Package AB 1840,

WHEREAS, while dedicating much of herself to the students of Oakland on a Board level, Director Senn also consistently dedicated her personal time to serving young people directly by regularly reading to elementary school students, participating or facilitating convenings and circles using restorative practices with families and students, mentoring high school student leaders, and college and post-graduate interns interested in education policy and community engagement,

WHEREAS, Director Senn consistently worked in a fair and equitable fashion, dedicated to the CARE of the whole child for every child. CARE - an acronym she coined - stands for Community Access to Resources and Education. Whether the need is related to academics, health, safety and nutrition, sports, the environment or social/emotional issues, she worked in collaboration with others to support these needs,

WHEREAS, while Director Senn may be leaving the Board, she plans to continue the fight for all people in Oakland and California by working to reform Proposition 13 and support efforts related to Full and Fair Funding so that California will be able to provide a top quality education to every child in California,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we recognize and celebrate Director Nina Senn's hard work, dedication and results on behalf of the students, staff and families of Oakland Unified School District, and wish her the best as she leaves the Board of Education and continues to champion ways to create high quality educational offerings to all children in the city of Oakland and across the state of California.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of Oakland Unified School District on this 12th day of December, 2018, by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE:

PREFERENTIAL NOE:

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION:

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

RECUSE:

ABSENT:

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 the 12th Day of December, 2018.

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