

ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

RESOLUTION NO. 2025/26-BOT-02

January 15, 2026

On the motion of Trustee O'Neal and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored and systematic persecution and murder by the Nazi regime and its collaborators of Jews and other victims, including Romani people, people with disabilities, political dissidents, LGBTQ+ people, and other religious and ethnic minorities; and

WHEREAS, six million Jews, representing one third of the Jewish people, were murdered during the Holocaust, including 960,000 of the 1,100,000 people who were killed at the Auschwitz extermination camp in Nazi-occupied Poland alone; and

WHEREAS, the names of many of the innocent individuals who perished have been lost forever; and

WHEREAS, in memory of the liberation of the Auschwitz extermination camp by Allied Forces on January 27, 1945, the United Nations General Assembly has designated January 27 of each year as an International Day of Commemoration to remember the victims of the Holocaust, promote Holocaust education, and reject Holocaust denial, antisemitism, and the threat of genocide anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS, California Department of Justice statistics show that reported hate crime events in the state increased by 2.7% between 2023 and 2024, with anti-Black bias events the most prevalent, and including a 7.3% increase in anti-Jewish bias and a 13.9% increase in anti-LGBTQ+ bias; and

WHEREAS, the District is home to a racially, ethnically, religiously, and culturally diverse student body, who speak 49 different languages in their homes, and 90% of whom identify as students of color; and

WHEREAS, we must never forget the genocide and crimes against humanity committed during the Holocaust so that we can remain ever vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny in the future; and

WHEREAS, we must educate future generations to promote understanding of the dangers of intolerance in order to prevent similar injustices, including acts of antisemitism from happening again, and the California Department of Education therefore encourages the recognition of January 27 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and

WHEREAS, the District is proud to be a California Democracy School District, leveraging values like kindness, compassion, inclusion, and participation to encourage civic engagement through civil discourse about important current events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Anaheim Union High School District Board of Trustees commemoates January 27, 2026, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day in memory of the 1,100,000 innocent victims murdered at Auschwitz, the 6,000,000 Jews killed during the Holocaust, and all of the victims of the Nazi regime; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Anaheim Union High School District Board of Trustees reaffirms its commitment to combatting antisemitism, racism, and all forms of hate, working instead toward tolerance, peace, and justice through education grounded in the principles of democracy and civic engagement.

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on January 15, 2026, by the following roll call vote.

AYES: Trustees O'Neal, Magcalas, Hoshi, Randle-Trejo, and Guerrero

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) SS
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, Jaron Fried, Ed.D., superintendent of the Anaheim Union High School District of Orange County, California, and secretary to the Board of Trustees thereof, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board of Trustees at the regular meeting thereof held on the 15th day of January, 2026, and passed by a roll call vote of all members of said Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15th day of January, 2026.



Jaron Fried, Ed.D.
Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Anaheim Union High School District