

# PROCLAMATION

## *Memorial Day*

*May 2017*

*WHEREAS*, Memorial Day represents one day of national awareness and reverence, honoring those Americans who died while defending our Nation and its values; and

*WHEREAS*, Memorial Day is celebrated on the last Monday in May; and

*WHEREAS*, Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868, by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in his [General Order No. 11](#), being first observed on May 5, 1868; and

*WHEREAS*, the “National Moment of Remembrance Act” designates 3:00 p.m. local time on Memorial Day each year as the National Moment of Remembrance in honor of the men and women of the United States who died in the pursuit of freedom and peace and was proclaimed thus by William J. Clinton, then president, in December 2000; and

*WHEREAS*, the observance of a National Moment of Remembrance is a simple and unifying way to commemorate our history and honor the struggle to protect our freedoms; and

*WHEREAS*, this Act recognizes in law a commemoration begun on Memorial Day in May 1997 when “Taps” was played at 3:00 p.m. on many radio and television stations across the nation as Americans paused to remember the men and women who have lost their lives in service to our country; now

*THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED* that the Alameda Unified School District Board of Education hereby recognizes the last Monday in May as Memorial Day.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

NOES: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

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Gary K. Lym, President  
Board of Education  
Alameda Unified School District  
Alameda County, State of California

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Sean McPhetridge, Secretary  
Board of Education  
Alameda Unified School District  
Alameda County, State of California