

# PROCLAMATION

## *Washington Day February 19, 2018*

*WHEREAS*, February 19<sup>th</sup> has been established as a day to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of George Washington, a great leader in this country; and

*WHEREAS*, George Washington was born on Feb. 22, 1732 in Westmoreland County, Virginia, and at the age of 20 he was appointed adjutant in the Virginia Militia; and

*WHEREAS*, in 1759, he resigned from the militia, married Martha Dandridge Custis, a widow with children, and settled down as a gentleman farmer at Mount Vernon, Virginia; and

*WHEREAS*, as a delegate to the Continental Congress, Washington was selected as commander in chief of the Continental Army and took command at Cambridge, Massachusetts, on July 3, 1775; and

*WHEREAS*, while presiding over the Constitutional Convention, he yielded to the universal demand that he serve as first President and was inaugurated on April 30, 1789; and

*WHEREAS*, according to the federal government, the holiday observed on the third Monday in February is officially Washington's Birthday; and

*WHEREAS*, Washington's Birthday was celebrated publicly for the first time in the late 18th century, while George Washington was still president.

*THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED* that the Alameda Unified School District Board of Education hereby recognizes February 19, 2018 as Washington Day.

*PASSED AND ADOPTED* this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

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

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

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

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Gray Harris, 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