Resolution

Whereas, the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education (the "Board") is charged with the management and control of the Oklahoma City Public Schools; and

Whereas, Oklahoma City Public Schools ("OKCPS") is a diverse school system serving 46,000 students in the capital city of the state of Oklahoma; and

Whereas, it is the policy of the Board that OKCPS shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, alienage, veteran, parental, family and marital status; and

Whereas, the Board believes that all OKCPS students have the right to participate fully in classroom instruction, and their rights shall not be abridged or impaired because of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, alienage, veteran, parental, family and marital status or for any other reason not related to individual capability; and

Whereas, the Board prohibits bullying of any kind and believes our students and staff must have the right to learn and work in a safe and nurturing environment that supports their social and emotional wellbeing; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma City community traditionally celebrates Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer ("LGBTQ") Pride Week in June; and

Whereas, the Board values the contributions of our LGBTQ students and staff members.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Oklahoma City Public Schools Board of Education, express our unwavering support of all OKCPS students and staff by recognizing June, 2017, as LGBTQ Pride Month.

Dated this 12th day of June, 2017.

Paula Lewis, Board Chairperson

Gloria Torres, Vice Chairperson & District 6 Board Member

Charles Henry, District 1 Board Member

Rebecca Budd, District 2 Board Member

Carrie Jacobs, District 3 Board Member

Mark Mann, District 4 Board Member

Ruth Veales, District 5 Board Member

Ron Millican, District 7 Board Member