

# Resolution

## MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION NUMBER 15-16-17

*Recognizing and Honoring*

### ***GIRLS' HEALTH IN GIRLS' HANDS***

**WHEREAS**, an initiative of the Community Foundation for Monterey County, **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** helps girls ages 11-18 in Monterey County gain better access to health information, support, and services so they are able to make positive health and lifestyle decisions; and

**WHEREAS**, a county-wide collaborative of the Women's Fund of Monterey County and six nonprofit agencies, **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** connects hundreds of girls to more comprehensive and integrated health information and helps them to develop powerful and effective leadership skills; and

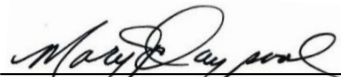
**WHEREAS**, **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** is commended for garnering support from our local schools to gain wider awareness and understanding of the critical links between social and emotional health and academic success, teen pregnancy, suicide and depression, and to help influence positive changes at their schools; and


**WHEREAS**, recognizing the importance of social and emotional health for youth throughout the county, the Monterey County Board of Education commends the work of **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** and their outreach efforts to provide more services, resources, and support to address the need for self-esteem and coping skills; and

**WHEREAS**, serving as local catalysts mobilizing and educating our youth, schools, residents, and communities **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** provides the resources and tools to empower girls to advocate for their own health needs and gives them a voice in shaping their futures:

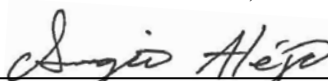
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Monterey County Board of Education adopts Resolution No. 15-16-17 to recognize, praise, and support the efforts of **Girls' Health in Girls' Hands** in Monterey County, and encourages individuals, parents, students, schools, and organizations throughout the County to support efforts to make social and emotional health a countywide priority for youth.

**Passed and Adopted  
on the  
Seventh Day of October 2015**


  
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