



NOVATO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Proclamation

## MARIN SCHOOL OF THE ARTS AT NOVATO HIGH SCHOOL 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**WHEREAS**, Marin School of the Arts (MSA) began in 2003, uniting the vision of Founder Mark Peabody with the can-do resourcefulness of Superintendent Jan La Torre-Derby, and the strong site support of Novato High School Principal Rey Mayoral; and

**WHEREAS**, MSA is committed to individual and artistic exploration in an inclusive, supportive, and collaborative specialized arts program within Novato High School; and

**WHEREAS**, MSA infuses creativity into everything on the Novato High School campus balancing a rigorous arts education with a playful growth mindset; and

**WHEREAS**, MSA promotes and respects self-expression, artistic risk-taking, a wide range of ideas, and diversity in all its forms; and

**WHEREAS**, in a time of isolation, competition, and standardization, MSA's mission is to engage, inspire, and empower through the arts; and

**WHEREAS**, MSA connects and collaborates across disciplines and communities so that students use their passion and creativity to impact one another, other students at Novato High School, and the wider community around them; and

**WHEREAS**, as MSA celebrate their 20 year anniversary in 2023, thanks to the efforts of MSA's founders who established strong roots such that MSA thrives twenty years later with honored past founders, many of whom who are serving in command performances of their previous roles, intermingling with present and future student artists and performers; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, the community will feel the alchemy of past, present, and future in MSA Theatre's thoughtful use of space in *Cabaret* staged in our old Performing Arts theatre, and multi-faceted events including the MSA Creative Writing and Photography opening during Novato High School's Open House event and music concerts that include middle school performers; and

**WHEREAS**, MSA at 20 years is all about a continual process of becoming Marin School of the Arts, welcoming those who have deep established roots and those with a fresh perspective, growing and creating together.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Board of the Novato Unified School District, hereby commends **Marin School of the Arts at Novato High School** for its extraordinary contributions to the Novato community and its students, and looks forward to many more years of continued success in the arts.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** This 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 at a regular meeting, by the following vote:

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

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

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

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

<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>
Butler		
Gasson		
Jacobson		
Limeta		
Mack		
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President, NUSD Board of Trustees

Attested to:

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Vice President/Clerk, NUSD Board of Trustees

