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## RESOLUTION #25-37 HONORING THE LIFE & SERVICE OF LAWRENCE "LARRY" LANE

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education and the Santa Cruz County Office of Education mourn the loss of Lawrence "Larry" Lane, a distinguished educator, administrator, and community leader; and

WHEREAS, Larry Lane dedicated 37 years of service to the Pajaro Valley Unified School District, most notably at Watsonville High School, where he served as a teacher, department chair, program coordinator, assistant principal, and ultimately, principal; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Larry provided extraordinary leadership in curriculum development, accreditation studies, and districtwide improvement initiatives, leaving a lasting mark on the quality of education for countless students; and

WHEREAS, Larry's excellence as an educator was recognized through numerous honors, including being named Teacher of the Year at Watsonville High School twice, Districtwide Secondary Teacher of the Year for Pajaro Valley Unified School District, and recipient of the Distinguished Teacher Award from the California Council for Geographic Education; and

WHEREAS, Larry continued his service to education as a dedicated member of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Personnel Commission for two decades, first appointed by the Board in October 2005 and subsequently reappointed for multiple terms, offering invaluable guidance and perspective in support of classified employees, management, and human resources; and

WHEREAS, through his role on the Personnel Commission, Larry exemplified a spirit of commitment, fairness, and collaboration, enhancing the integrity of the merit system and ensuring equitable practices for staff across the county; and

**WHEREAS,** beyond his professional accomplishments, Larry Lane will be remembered for his deep commitment to students, colleagues, and the broader Santa Cruz County school community, as well as for the generosity, wisdom, and integrity he brought to all his roles;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education does hereby honor and remember Lawrence "Larry" Lane for his outstanding service, leadership, and dedication to public education, and extends its heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of working alongside him.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 18th day of September 2025, by the following vote:

**AYES:** Acosta, Kyle, Larson, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams

NAYS:

**ABSENT:** 

**ABSTAIN:** 

Abel Sanchez Dr. Faris Sabbah

Board President County Superintendent of Schools