



PHOENIX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 GOVERNING BOARD

RESOLUTION



In Support of the Preservation of the Chinese Cultural Center

WHEREAS, a diverse community with a robust population of immigrants and their descendants is an integral part of Phoenix Elementary School District #1 and of the City of Phoenix;

WHEREAS, Phoenix Elementary School District #1 recognizes the many important contributions made to the culture and economy by Americans of Chinese descent, beginning with the earliest settlement of the Salt River Valley – contributions which have often been dismissed without proper recognition;

WHEREAS, Phoenix Elementary School District #1 promotes cultural awareness, curiosity and kind-heartedness and is thankful for the many opportunities its staff and students have enjoyed over the years because of the efforts of the Phoenix Sister Cities' Taiwan Committee and Arizona's Sister State relationship with Taiwan, particularly through participation in events, exhibits, demonstrations and other cultural activities – especially the annual Chinese Culture Camp and the Chinese New Year celebrations;

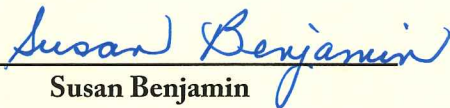
WHEREAS, The Chinese Cultural Center has provided a unique gathering place promoting awareness of and respect for these contributions and the unique heritage of Americans of Chinese descent by displaying Chinese architecture and methods of construction not seen outside of China itself;

BE IT RESOLVED, on the 14th day of September 2017, that Phoenix Elementary School District #1 believes that preserving the Chinese Cultural Center will help promote the dignity of, respect for and curiosity about the Chinese, Asian and all other cultures;

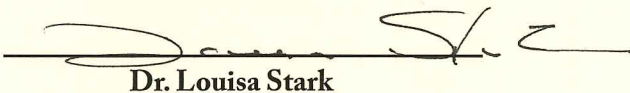
BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, Phoenix Elementary School District #1 has committed to school policies and an educational curriculum reflecting the values expressed in this resolution;

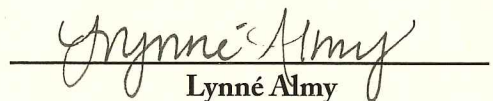
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, Phoenix Elementary School District #1 hereby calls for the preservation of the Chinese Cultural Center, an important part of the history and heritage of the City of Phoenix and the State of Arizona.

SIGNED BY GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:


Susan Benjamin


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Governing Board Approved: 9/14/17