RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RENAMING OF WILLIAM E. FANNING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the ethnic, racial, and religious composition of Orange County public schools are changing, reflecting the continuing trend toward diversity; and

WHEREAS, schools or public buildings named after racists, such as members of the Ku Klux Klan, as in the case of Fanning Elementary School in Brea, exist as symbols of intolerance; and

WHEREAS, all public governing bodies, including school boards, have an obligation to provide a safe educational learning environment, free from all forms of discrimination;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Democratic Party of Orange County calls for the Brea Olinda Unified School District to immediately initiate a community-based re-naming process that will remove KKK member William E. Fanning as the namesake of William E. Fanning Elementary School.

Submitted by Jeff LeTourneau DPOC North Vice Chair and David Duran, Rename Fanning Organizing Committee

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