FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION 2021-07:

RECOGNIZING LGBTQ HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, religion, creed, sex, age, national origin, physical or mental disability, marital status, changes in marital status, pregnancy, parenthood, sexual orientation, gender identity, disabled veterans and other eligible veterans, or any other basis of discrimination prohibited by local, state, or federal law; and

WHEREAS, numerous individuals in the LGBTQ community, globally, nationally, and locally have made substantial contributions and accomplishments in our community; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community is a growing asset to the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District as students, staff members, and parents; and

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District strives to foster the protection and the involvement of diverse groups by allowing students to acknowledge the history and contributions of LGBTQ individuals, role models, and historical events from across the country and community; and

WHEREAS, all students and staff members will benefit from inclusion of LGBTQ history and culture; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies assert that providing internal protections for LGBTQ students and staff members directly promotes academic and social success, as well as safety and security; and

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District serves as a role model for inclusion, equity, protection, and representation for all of its students, staff members, and diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, October is recognized as LGBTQ History Month, to expose the prejudice and discrimination that LGBTQ people face based on sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, and to celebrate their diversity and accomplishments from a source of empowerment and engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education joins others in recognizing October 2020 as LGBTQ History Month and encourages schools throughout the district to promote a community where all students and staff feel supported and affirmed.

Passed and Approved: September 15, 2020

Wendy Dominique, President Board of Education

ATTEST:

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