

RECOGNITION HONORING MICHAEL ANTHONY DIAZ

April 29, 2025

WHEREAS, Michael Anthony Diaz has been a lifelong resident of South San Francisco, serving as an alumnus of Skyline Elementary School, Westborough Middle School, and El Camino High School. His passion for learning led him to attend and graduate from UC Davis where then he returned to El Camino in 2022 to pursue a career in education; and

WHEREAS, Michael Anthony Diaz has taught freshman biology, biotechnology 1- 4, and recently, AP Environmental Science. As a teacher, he can easily be categorized as multifaceted: possessing both subject matter expertise and pedagogical skills. It is clear that Michael Anthony Diaz has a strong foundation on various subject matters while concurrently possessing the ability to convey such complex information. His ability to teach but also embody the empathy inherent in every human being is what allows him to cultivate such an inclusive educational environment and forever imbue the passion for learning within his students; and

WHEREAS, yet, the impact of Michael Anthony Diaz exceeds that of a teacher, serving also as the advisor to the computer science club, biotechnology club, interact club, MESA club, and Science Unboxed program and as the advisor of the class of 2027, Mr. Diaz has undeniably left a lifelong impact on his students; and

WHEREAS, Michael Anthony Diaz, or as his students call him, “Mr. Diaz”, “the chill teacher”, and even just “teach” has fundamentally changed the life of every one of his students. He has become the teacher that embodies every syllable, every articulation, and every letter of the word “teacher”. The word “teacher” derives its meaning and standards from the actions of Michael Anthony Diaz. His paradoxical ability to truly look past all trivial environmental influences yet recognize their impacts in the growth of his students allows them to truly be seen. He fastens his vision upon their potential, seeing them not as who they are, but who they, he believes, can truly become; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Youth in Government Program congratulates Michael on his short, but impactful years of experience in educational practice and leadership, having served as a teacher and advisor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2025 Youth in Government Mock City Council of the City of South San Francisco does hereby thank Michael Anthony Diaz on his three impactful years of dedicated service as a teacher, club advisor, and class advisor at El Camino High School and wishes him the best in the continuation and expansion of his journey. Thank you for all that you will continue to do for the betterment of the South San Francisco youth community.

Isabella Chuong, Mayor

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