

**Lynden School District No. 504  
Whatcom County, WA**

**RESOLUTION# 10-26  
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 504  
TO CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250-YEAR SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL**

**WHEREAS**, the United States of America will commemorate its 250th anniversary on July 4, 2026, marking a historic milestone in the nation's history; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence, asserting the American colonies' freedom from British rule and laying the foundation for the principles of the nation's independence and self-governance; and

**WHEREAS**, valuable insight for students is gained through understanding America's founding and historical texts; and

**WHEREAS**, sharing our unique American journey through the nation's struggles and triumphs will plant the seeds of patriotism and pride in our students, and help them appreciate America's exceptionalism; and

**WHEREAS**, an appreciation of the sacrifices made by previous generations builds gratitude for the freedoms that citizens currently enjoy;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Lynden School District is dedicated to celebrating the 250th anniversary of the United States by educating students on the principles of America's exceptionalism, grounded in the ideals of freedom, opportunity, and self-determination. These principles, as articulated in the Declaration of Independence, and Constitution form a cornerstone of a well-rounded education; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Lynden School Board of Directors encourages the superintendent, educators, staff, parents, and students to actively create commemorations and learning opportunities to reflect on America's journey during the 250th celebration; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Lynden School Board of Directors approves the prominent display of the Pledge of Allegiance in the High School Gymnasium. Situated alongside the United States flag, this placement is intended to signify the District's commitment to the republic's founding ideals of liberty, justice, and indivisible unity. The Lynden School District Board of Directors is grateful to Northwest Branding LLC for donating their time and resource for the procurement of said display.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Lynden School Board commits to allocating funding for age-appropriate patriotic education and celebrations across all K-12 grade levels.

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**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Lynden School Board of Directors invites the community to join us in celebrating and reflecting on our nation's incredible history. By honoring the exceptional qualities passed down through generations, we can ignite a sense of unity and resilience in our youth. By upholding and emphasizing the principles of liberty, justice, and self-governance, our nation will remain a beacon for the world and endure for generations.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of Lynden School District No. 504, Whatcom County, Washington at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 14th day of May 2026 with the following members present and voting.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

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Jim Verburg, President

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**ATTESTED BY:**

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David VanderYacht  
Superintendent and Secretary to the Board