

Proclamation

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Garden Grove High School

September 15, 2021

WHEREAS, In response to the proposed annexation of Garden Grove into the Santa Ana High School District, a local election was held in March 1921 that successfully formed the independent Garden Grove Union High School District that paved the way for the establishment of the first high school in Garden Grove; and

WHEREAS, Garden Grove Union High School, comprised of three bungalows erected on the current site of the Lincoln Education Center on Garden Grove Boulevard, and opened on September 15, 1921; and

WHEREAS, In September 1922, Garden Grove Union High School moved to its present location on Stanford Avenue, marking the 1922-23 school year with the first graduating class made up of six students; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the post-World War II economic boom, the graduating class increased from 72 in 1946 to over 500 in 1967. The school district responded to the growth by building six new high schools between 1956 and 1966, and Garden Grove High School dropped "Union" from its official title in 1955; and

WHEREAS, Many Garden Grove High School alumni have obtained successful careers and noteworthy accomplishments, including a United States congressman, members of the California State Legislature, members of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the first City of Garden Grove Mayor and members of the Garden Grove City Council, and a posthumous Congressional Medal of Honor recipient; and

WHEREAS, On September 15, 2021, Garden Grove High School commemorates a major milestone of 100 years of outstanding contributions to the Garden Grove community through the education of thousands of young residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Garden Grove City Council, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2021 as the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Garden Grove High School.

Tuesday, September 14, 2021