

Berkeley Unified School District

Resolution No. 10-08

In Support of Walk and Roll to School and Work Day

WHEREAS, October 8th 2009 is Walk and Roll to School and Work Day, an International event that serves to remind and educate families, parents, teachers, staff, and children that walking and biking to school can and should be safe, healthy, and beneficial to both personal health and the safety and health of neighborhoods and communities;

WHEREAS, the last seven years the Berkeley Board of Education endorsed and supported Berkeley Unified's Walk and Roll to School Days, events in which thousands of parents, teachers, and children participated, and in which local elected officials also participated;

WHEREAS the Berkeley Unified School District has partnered with the Safe Routes to Schools Program and City of Berkeley to promote program activities that encourage safe walking, bicycling and taking the bus to school, as endorsed in June 2009 by the Berkeley School Board.

AND WHEREAS, this October 8th we encourage school principals, site PTA's, site committees, parents, teachers, and staff to participate and plan for the annual Berkeley Walk to School and Work Day, now including City of Berkeley and UC Berkeley employee participation, utilizing this day to inform our community and our children of the benefits of walking and bicycling to and from school, reducing automobile traffic, lessening pollution, congestion, and noise, and creating a further appreciation of our neighborhoods and communities, and helping to establish safer pedestrian and bicycle routes to and from each school site;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley Board of Education declares October 8th 2009 and the first Wednesday of each subsequent month of this school year as Walk to School and Work Day in the Berkeley Unified School District.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of September, 2009.

John T. Selawsky, Clerk
Board of Education