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To: Ethnic Studies

Cc: [email redacted]; Superintendent

Subject: California Model Ethnic Studies Curriculum.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I urge you all to include Arab American studies as part of Asian American Studies. Rise of nationalism in Europe and here in USA brings consequences like isolationism, exclusionary citizenship, socioeconomic marginalization, Islamophobia and xenophobia.Now more than ever it is very important to teach students about diversity, tolerance and strategies to reduce its exclusionary and virulent side. This must include the history of the Palestinian people and its struggle for human rights Please listen to Arab American scholars and Ethnic Studies practitioners and collaborate with them as you revise school curricula.

Sincerely,

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