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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Prevent Censorship - protect justice

Hello School Board Members,

I write to ask for your support of the Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum Draft written by teachers and scholars from across California. Your support would mean the world to me. My family and I have lived in *District 3* for over 38 years.

We have never seen adequate representation of the narratives of people of color in our textbooks, despite the enormous diversity of the community we live in. Please support the proposed School Board resolution to prevent the censorship and removal of Arab American, Pacific Islander and Central American Studies from the California Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum.

The current attacks on Ethnic Studies and Arab American Studies are completely unjust and racist, and Oakland should not stand for them.

This resolution is moving a step for social justice. From the bottom of my heart: **Please vote YES on May 27th to support this!**

We are counting on you!

Peace

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