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INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE
Los Angeles Unified School District
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
Resolution Budget Impact Statement

TO: Members, Board of Education
Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent

DATE: April 17, 2023

FROM: David D. Hart, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: LAUSD SUPPORT FOR EXPANDING RACIAL AND ETHNIC CATEGORIES
IN THE 2030 CENSUS AND THE INCLUSION OF A SPECIFIC ARMENIAN
CHECKBOX (RES-018-22/23) WAIVER OF BOARD RULE 72**

RESOLUTION VERSION: Choose an item.

Presented By:			
Dr. Rivas, Mr. Schmerelson			
Date Noticed:	4/18/2023	Date Presented for Action:	4/18/2023
Budget Impact			
This resolution states the District support the inclusion of the Middle East and North African (MENA) category in the 2030 Census and the inclusion of a specific Armenian checkbox as a MENA subcategory. It also directs the Superintendent to send a letter to the Office of Management and Budget expressing the District's support for the inclusion of an Armenian checkbox under the proposed MENA category in the 2030 Census. There is no quantifiable budget impact.			
Please indicate if proposed actions above will be completed with current resources or if additional resources will be required, i.e., staff, funding, etc.			
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LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
Operational, Policy & Student Impact Statements

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FROM: Martha Alvarez
Chief of Legislative Affairs and Government Relations

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RESOLUTION VERSION: 1

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Add name(s) of Board Member(s)			
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Operational Impact
N/A
Space Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, please describe
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N/A

Policy Impact
The Biden administration is leading an effort to make the 2030 Census more inclusive and representative of the nation. Specifically, there is a proposal to re-design the race & ethnicity question to more accurately reflect the reality for Latinos and MENA (Middle Eastern or North African) individuals. There will be a new checkbox for “Middle Eastern or North African” as well as a “Hispanic or Latino” box under a re-designed race or ethnicity question. Currently, the federal government categorizes people of Lebanese, Iranian, Egyptian, and other countries in the MENA region as white, despite that many MENA descendants do not identify as

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white themselves. The new proposal will remove the definition of “White” for people from the MENA region. For Latinos, “Hispanic or Latino” is being reclassified as a standalone <u>racial</u> category, with a list of <u>ethnic</u> subcategories to choose from, i.e. Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, etc. Additional proposals being considered: the removal of “Negro” to describe the “Black” category; the removal of “Far East” to describe the geographic region of origin for people of Asian descent; and the removal of the terms “majority” and “minority.” RECOMMENDATION: Support the proposals currently being considered by the Office of Management and Budget Next steps: The deadline to submit public comment to the Office of Management and Budget on these proposals is Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Student Impact		
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