

**SNOHOMISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 201  
RESOLUTION NO. 17-21**

**AUTHORITY TO ALIGN SCHOOL MASCOTS WITH STATE LAW**

**WHEREAS**, in 2021 the Washington State Legislature passed House Bill 1356 prohibiting the inappropriate use of Native American names, symbols, or images as public-school mascots, logos, or team names; and

**WHEREAS**, as stated in House Bill 1356, the legislature “find that the use of racially derogatory or discriminatory school mascots, logos, or team names in public schools is antithetical to their mission of providing an equal education to all, and contrary to the goal of making schools safe and respectful learning environments”; and

**WHEREAS**, it further states in House Bill 1356, the legislature “finds also that certain mascots, logos, or team names that are or have been used by school and other entities are uniquely discriminatory in singling out the Native American community for derision and cultural appropriation”; and

**WHEREAS** in 2012, the Washington State Board of Education adopted a resolution urging school districts to follow the principles outline in its 1993 Board Resolution and encouraged School Boards to review and reevaluate policies related to the use of Native American mascots or other symbols; and

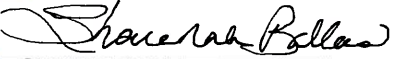
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of Snohomish School District, for good cause, directs the Superintendent to examine the district and identify any Native American mascots or symbols to be retired. This identification and examination of Native American mascots and symbols will be completed by December 31, 2021.

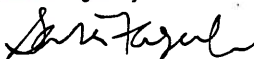
**ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Snohomish School District No. 201, Snohomish County, Washington, at its regular meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

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Snohomish County, Washington

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