

**Spring Branch Independent School District
Agenda Item Information**

Date of Board Meeting: January 26, 2009

Subject: SBISD Administration Building No Place For Hate/Resolution of Respect

Administrator Responsible:

Name: Linda Buchman

Position: Community Relations Officer

Purpose of Agenda Item:

Information only Action needed Report

Additional Information and/or Back-Up:

Spring Branch ISD has more schools that have earned the Anti-Defamation League's No Place for Hate designation than any other district in Texas or across the United States. Last year, the SBISD Administration Building became the first within any district to earn this designation. The goal is to promote and model at the district level the goal of respectful, inclusive environments across our community. The cornerstone of the No Place for Hate Program is the Resolution of Respect. Following the Board's signing of the Resolution of Respect, employees in the SBISD Administration Building will have the opportunity to sign the resolution as we kick off our spring No Place for Hate Programming.

Resolution of Respect

I pledge from this day forward to do my best to combat prejudice and to stop those who, because of hate or ignorance, would hurt anyone or violate their civil rights. I will try at all times to be aware of my own biases and seek to gain understanding of those who I perceive as being different from myself. I will speak out against all forms of prejudice and discrimination. I will reach out to support those who are targets of hate. I will think about specific ways my community members can promote respect for people and create a prejudice-free zone. I firmly believe that one person can make a difference and that no person can be an “innocent” bystander when it comes to opposing hate. By signing this pledge, I commit myself to creating a community that is No Place for Hate.®



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