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The Superior Court Celebrates 2023 Read Across America

*Santa Clara County Judges adopt Linda Vista Elementary School
for the Court's annual participation in Read Across America*

SAN JOSÉ, Calif. (March 3, 2023): On Friday, March 3, 2023, 17 judicial officers from the Santa Clara County Superior Court visited Linda Vista Elementary students and shared their favorite stories in celebration of Read Across America. Members of the bench were able to provide reading sessions in person and through a virtual format, allowing judicial officers to interact with students amid their busy schedules. Linda Vista Elementary, a school within the Alum Rock School District, serves 463 students in grades TK- 5. The judicial officers of Santa Clara County Superior Court are proud to share their love of reading with these students.

“We were excited to host judicial officers as they read to our Linda Vista students in celebration of Read Across America. This event not only promotes literacy, but it also introduces our students to positive role models and allows them to learn about how they too can positively impact our community. We are grateful for this opportunity,” said Linda Vista Elementary School Principal Rigoberto Gomez.

Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together children, teenagers, and books to celebrate literacy. Our judicial officers read stories that celebrate diversity, educate about the justice system, provide positive encouragement, and emphasize the importance of teamwork. The judicial officers have personally selected and purchased the books, which will also be donated to the school.

Hon. Julia Alloggiamento, Chair of the Court's Community Outreach Committee, stated, “Every year our judges look forward to this event. We have an opportunity to positively connect with young students and show them the diversity of our bench – men and women, various races and ethnicities, ages, and backgrounds. Being surrounded by the

young students is like peering into the future. We are happy to be a part of a nationwide effort to promote learning through literacy.”

In 2024, the Court will adopt another school, as everyone involved can attest to the fact that reading builds resilience and changes lives.

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Judge Julia Alloggiamento, Linda Vista Elementary School Principal Rigoberto Gomez, and Commissioner Johanna ThaiVanDat celebrating Read Across America.



Judge Joanna ThaiVanDat, Judge Julia Alloggiamento, and Judge Andrea Flint celebrating Read Across America.



Linda Vista Kindergarteners, along with their instructor and Judge Julia Alloggiamento.



Judge L. Michael Clark discussing Dr. Seuss with a Kindergarten class.



Judge Brooke Blecher reading a Dr. Seuss book to a 3rd grade class via Zoom.