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## Monrovia Unified's Board of Education Celebrates Wildcat Stadium Grand Reopening

**MONROVIA** – Monrovia High School's Cat City student section – all sporting green to represent the school – cheered as the Monrovia Unified Board of Education kicked off a grand reopening for Wildcat Stadium on Aug. 30 during the Wildcat varsity football team's first home game of the year.

Board Vice President Rob Hammond, Board Clerk Bryan Wong, and Board Members Maritza Travanti and Selene Lockerbie were joined by Monrovia Mayor Tom Adams, Councilmembers Becky Shevlin and Gloria Crudginton, Monrovia High Principal Kirk McGinnis, and students from the school's band and football, track, cheer and soccer teams.

"It is an honor to be here today in front of all of you as we celebrate the grand reopening of Wildcat Stadium," Board Vice President Rob Hammond said. "This is an effort that began a few years ago, and it has been exciting for us all to see it finally happen. It will benefit our athletes and scholars for many years to come."

Field upgrades completed over summer included changing out an aging rubber pellet infill for a cool-fill product that decreases turf temperature and relocating communication boxes to outer parts of the field to ensure the continued safety of students.

"This is a great way to celebrate Monrovia High School's 126 years of service to our families and community," McGinnis said. "Thank you to our Board of Education for their support in making this new field become a reality for all Monrovia High Wildcats."

Following the grand reopening, Monrovia's community roared as the Wildcats made their way to the field to face Alta Loma High School and secure their first home victory, 34-7.

### PHOTO CAPTIONS

**08.30.19\_MUSD\_Stadium 1:** Monrovia High School athletic and band student representatives stand on the 50-yard line during the school's Wildcat Stadium grand reopening on Aug. 30.

**08.30.19\_MUSD\_Stadium 2:** Monrovia High School's student cheering section roared as the Wildcats scored their first home run during the first home game of the year against Alta Loma High School on Aug. 30.

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#### OUR MISSION

Inspire students to engage in meaningful learning in a safe and nurturing environment that embraces diversity.

Challenge students to be ethical, productive members and leaders of the community.

#### OUR VISION

Our students will be ethical, compassionate individuals who:

- graduate from high school prepared for college and career,
- contribute and adapt to an ever-changing world by being resourceful and responsible citizens, and
- embrace diversity.