



RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Introduced by Trustee Dr. Woolridge

RESOLUTION No. #20-24

WHEREAS, The advocacy efforts of the National Women's History Project led to an annual observance of Women's History Month, which highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society and is celebrated during March in the United States;

WHEREAS, Women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made significant and historic contributions to the growth and strength of our society in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS, the leadership of women in elected office including the contributions of our own trustee Taylor Sims and most recent Trustee Dr. Laura Canciamilla serves as an example of community and civic engagement for girls and women in our county;

WHEREAS, the leadership of women in public education including the contributions of our own very own Superintendent, Dr. Janet Schulze; Assistant Superintendent of HR, Ms. Nancie Castro; Executive Director of Educational Services, Ms. Eileen Chen; President of the Pittsburg Education Association Ms. Chris Coan; President of the California School Employees Association (Chapter 44), Ms. Jessica Alexander, our female district staff, our female site principals and so many more women serves as an example of community and civic engagement for girls and women in our county;

WHEREAS, Women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, which create a more fair and just society for all;

WHEREAS, Despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching, labor, business and in study of history; and

WHEREAS, there are currently no monuments honoring women in the City of Pittsburg, and the Pittsburg Unified School District support updates to academic curriculum to include the contributions of women throughout history; and

WHEREAS, additional education is needed to increase the knowledge of all citizens relative to the contributions of women and opportunities for girls and women to develop their leadership skills and to eliminate bias in education and the workforce;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Pittsburg Unified School District honors the contributions that women have made throughout history and commit to support efforts to improve opportunities for girls and women in the school district;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Pittsburg Unified School District requests the superintendent to support the school sites with being able to support its scholars in learning about influential women of the Pittsburg community and beyond;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Pittsburg Unified School District requests the superintendent to distribute this resolution across the sites of the school district and via the district's social media platform.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Education of the Pittsburg Unified School District at a meeting held on February 23, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0



Duane Smith, Board President

Pittsburg Unified School District Board of Education