

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PETALUMA CITY  
ELEMENTARY AND PETALUMA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS  
("PETALUMA CITY SCHOOLS"), DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY  
AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Black History Month is celebrated every February as a tribute to the achievements of Black Americans who have shaped American history from 1619 to the election of the first Black President and Vice-President of the United States of America in 2008 and 2020, respectively, and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, Black Americans have played a pivotal role in the history and shaping of America and their contributions should never be understated or marginalized; and

**WHEREAS**, Black Americans have been pivotal in the creation of a massive number of inventions and are recognized for achievements in education, social services, public safety, health, business, fine arts, entertainment, science, politics, law, engineering, and technology; and

**WHEREAS**, Black Americans have continually enriched and contributed to our society through their longstanding commitment to resilience, justice, equality, civil rights, and economic and social equality for all; and

**WHEREAS**, Black history is a part of American history and as educational leaders we have a responsibility to educate students about the role and contribution of Black Americans in history throughout the entire year, including embracing aspects of Black American history that are all too often ignored; and

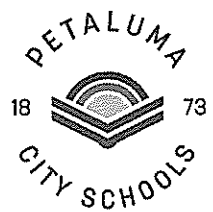
**WHEREAS**, the History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve states that the history curriculum of community, state, region, nation, and world must reflect the experiences of people of different racial, religious, and ethnic groups and must be integrated at every level; and

**WHEREAS**, the Petaluma City Schools Board of Education recognizes that each student needs an opportunity to understand the common humanity underlying all people; to develop pride in their own identity and heritage; and to understand, respect, and accept the identity and heritage of others;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Petaluma City (Elementary) and Petaluma Joint Union High School Districts Board of Education does hereby adopt this resolution to recognize Black History Month, honor the contributions of Black Americans, support the educational attainment of Black students, and support the professional success of Black staff members.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Board Member Webster who moved its adoption, seconded by Member Cloud and adopted by the following vote:

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CLOUD: Aye GEN: Aye PAUN: Absent QUINN: Aye WEBSTER: Aye

**WHEREUPON**, the President declared the above resolution adopted and **SO ORDERED** this 30th day of January, 2024.

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Caitlin Quinn, President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

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Matthew Harris, Secretary