

WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Resolution 19-24:
Adoption Month - November 2023**

WHEREAS, the first National Adoption Week was proclaimed in 1984, and in 1995, the week was expanded to the entire month of November. The goal of National Adoption Month is to celebrate adoption and to increase awareness of the thousands of children and youth in foster care who are waiting for permanent, loving families; and

WHEREAS, the Woodland Joint Unified School District recognizes National Adoption Month and acknowledges the many children waiting to find their forever families; and

WHEREAS, public education serves a wide variety of students from traditional as well as nontraditional families, including but not limited to, adopted, guardian, and foster; and

WHEREAS, Woodland Joint Unified School District understands that loving and nurturing families are strengthened and expanded when committed and dedicated individuals make an important difference in the life of a child through adoption; and

WHEREAS, all children and youth deserve to grow, develop, and have their needs met by being placed with families who can offer a permanent home; and

WHEREAS, in a permanent home, children and youth can receive love, protection, stability, and a sense of acceptance; and

WHEREAS, children and youth waiting for adoptive parents and the families who have adopted deserve support from their communities and public and private agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodland Joint Unified School District Board of Trustees:

1. Supports the goals and ideals of National Adoption Month;
2. Recognizes that every child should have a permanent and loving family; and
3. Encourages individuals within the local community to consider adoption during the month of November and throughout the year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of November 2023, by unanimous vote:



BOARD SECRETARY



BOARD PRESIDENT