## WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



## Resolution 35-24 Women's History Month – March 2024

**WHEREAS,** women of every race, class, religious and ethnic background have made significant contributions to the growth and strength of this nation of opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, women have and will continue to play critical roles in the economic, cultural, and social fabric of our society, despite disparities and institutional hurdles, to represent a significant but dwindling portion of the paid labor force in addition to a considerable portion of the volunteer and non-paid labor force; and

**WHEREAS,** in February of 1980, President Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8<sup>th</sup> as National Women's History Week. In 1987, the Congress of the United States proclaimed March as National Women's History Month; and

WHEREAS, the theme for 2024 is "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion." The theme recognizes women throughout the country who understand that, for a positive future, we need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely from our lives and institutions; and

**WHEREAS,** the role of women in history has been overlooked and undervalued in the body of American and world history in the standard courses of study. Studying and honoring the achievements of women challenges stereotypes and upends social assumptions about who women are and what women can accomplish today; and

WHEREAS, the first Yolo County Women's History Month event was held in 1987 and has honored and celebrated the contributions of women in general and Yolo County women in particular. The Yolo County Women's History Month luncheons have raised funds for the Woodland Public and Yolo County Libraries to purchase women's history materials; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Woodland Joint Unified School District Board of Trustees designate the month of March as "Women's History Month." The Board of Trustees calls upon each of the schools in the District to observe this month with appropriate educational programs and activities.

**IN WITNESS THERETO**, the Woodland Joint Unified School District does hereby adopt this resolution this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024, by unanimous Board of Trustees' vote.

BOARD SECRETARY

BOARD PRESIDENT