

CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANNUAL RESOLUTION #24/25-21

**IN SUPPORT OF
NATIONAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, Black prominent African Americans such as historian Carter G. Woodson and minister Jesse E. Moorland instituted Negro History Week in 1926, which evolved into Black History Month thanks to the increasing attention the Civil Rights movement garnered in the 1950s and 60s; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month allows us to reflect on the impact pioneers and leaders of the Black community have had on our nation and celebrate the legacy these leaders have left for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 theme for National Black History Month, recognized by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, focuses on the importance of African Americans and Labor. The theme, "African American and Labor," intends to encourage broad reflections on intersections between Black people's work and their workplaces in all their iterations and key moments, themes, and events in Black history and culture across time and space and throughout the U.S., Africa, and the Diaspora. Like religion, social justice movements, and education, studying African Americans' labor and labor struggles are important organizing foci for new Interpretations and reinterpretations of the Black past, present, and future; and

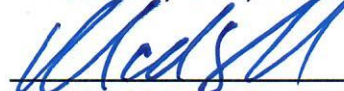
WHEREAS, American history is full of the contributions of people of African descent, the community building of social justice activists, voluntary workers serving others, and institution building in churches, community groups, and social clubs and organizations. In each of these instances, the work Black people do and have done has been instrumental in shaping the lives, cultures, and histories of Black people and the societies in which they live. Understanding Black labor and its impact in all these multivariate settings is integral to understanding Black people and their histories, lives, cultures; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Conejo Valley Unified School District recognizes February 2025 as National Black History Month.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Annual Resolution duly passed and adopted by the said Board of Education at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting held on January 15, 2025.



Bill Gorbach, Clerk, Board of Education



Mark W. McLaughlin, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Education