CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION #24/25-24 IN SUPPORT OF DISABILITY HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, March is Disability History Month, a time to recognize the contributions and achievements of people with disabilities, celebrate the Disability Rights Movement, honor the legacy of its leaders, and raise awareness about disability rights and issues; and

WHEREAS, recognizing disability history will enable students with disabilities to see themselves in history and history-makers and feel a greater sense of pride; and

WHEREAS, learning about disability history enriches every student's understanding of human rights, changes perceptions of harmful stereotypes, fosters empathy and self-awareness, and empowers all students to recognize and stand against ableism; and

WHEREAS, Disability History Month serves as a reminder that every student has the right to be respected, valued, and provided with opportunities to succeed, and challenges us all to work together to prevent discrimination and bullying, ensuring that students with disabilities can thrive in school; and

WHEREAS, Conejo Valley Unified School District is committed to meeting the educational needs of all students in our schools, promoting understanding, inclusion, and the rights of people with disabilities, with the goal of creating a more inclusive society; and

WHEREAS, Conejo Valley Unified School District acknowledges that March also encompasses Cerebral Palsy Awareness Month, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, Neurodiversity Celebration Week, and World Down Syndrome Day; and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the Conejo Valley Unified School District hereby recognizes the month of March as Disability History Month and encourages our schools to reflect on the impact of artists, innovators, and leaders in the disability community, celebrate student achievements, advocate for their rights, and promote understanding and inclusivity; and

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

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly passed and adopted by the said Board of Education at the regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting held on February 19, 2025.
Bill Gorback, Clerk, Board of Education

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