



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PETALUMA CITY
ELEMENTARY AND PETALUMA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS
("PETALUMA CITY SCHOOLS") DECLARING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, the origin of Women's History Month traces back to 1978 in Santa Rosa, California, when the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women organized a local Women's History Week during the week of March 8 to coincide with International Women's Day; and

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is celebrated annually in March to recognize, honor, and uplift the enduring contributions of women throughout local, national, and global history; and

WHEREAS, women of all races, cultures, identities, and backgrounds have shaped the course of history as leaders, innovators, educators, advocates, artists, public servants, and change makers in every major social movement, including civil rights, labor, education, environmental justice, disability rights, and LGBTQIA+ equality; and

WHEREAS, women have played a vital role in strengthening American democracy by contributing extensively to civic leadership, community service, volunteerism, and the establishment and sustainability of philanthropic, educational, and cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, despite these profound and lasting contributions, the achievements, leadership, and lived experiences of women have too often been overlooked, minimized, or excluded from historical narratives, media representation, textbooks, and academic curricula; and

WHEREAS, the Petaluma City Schools Board of Education affirms that all students benefit from learning an inclusive and accurate account of history that reflects the shared humanity and diverse experiences that shape our society; and

WHEREAS, the Petaluma City Schools Board of Education remains committed to advancing equity, inclusion, and diversity within curriculum and instruction and to supporting the effective implementation of History Social Science standards that foster civic engagement, critical thinking, and historical understanding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Boards of Education of the Petaluma City Elementary School District and the Petaluma Joint Union High School District hereby recognize and proclaim the month of March as Women's History Month; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Petaluma City Schools encourages schools, educators, students, and the broader community to celebrate Women's History Month through meaningful educational activities that honor the contributions of women past and present and inspire future generations of leaders.

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

CLOUD: Aye PAUN: Aye QUINN: Aye WEBSTER: Aye WILLIAMS: Aye

WHEREUPON, the President declared the above resolution adopted and **SO ORDERED** this 24th day of February, 2026.

Mady Cloud, President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

Matthew Harris, Secretary