

RESOLUTION NO. 11/24-25

IN SUPPORT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH, FEBRUARY, 2025

WHEREAS, Americans of African descent helped develop our nation in countless ways, those recognized, unrecognized, and unrecorded; and

WHEREAS, African American/Black history reflects a determined spirit of perseverance and cultural pride in its struggle to equally share in the opportunities of a nation founded upon the principles of freedom and liberty for all people; and

WHEREAS, African American/Black citizens have participated in every American effort to secure, protect, and maintain the essence and substance of American democracy, as reflected by California Education Code Section 37221(d) which establishes March 5 as Black American Day to commemorate the anniversary of the death of Crispus Attucks, the first African American martyr of the Boston Massacre; and

WHEREAS, the California State Board of Education recognizes in its Multicultural Education Policy that each student needs an opportunity to understand the common humanity underlying all people; and

WHEREAS, the history and contributions of African American/Black citizens have been consistently overlooked, misinterpreted, and undervalued in the curriculum of public education institutions prior to the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and

WHEREAS, the *History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve* states that the history curriculum of the community, state, region, nation, and world must reflect the experiences of all people and of different racial, religious, and ethnic groups which is integrated at every grade level.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that San Ramon Valley Unified School District's Board of Education proclaims the month of February 2025 as African American/Black History Month and encourages all schools to commemorate this time with appropriate instructional activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following called vote this 13th day of August 2024.

BUDGET IMPLICATION: None

AYES: Bratt, Clark, Ordway, vanTee, Havel
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None


C.J. Cammack, Superintendent and Secretary to
the Governing Board of San Ramon Valley Unified
School District