

**SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING WOMEN'S HERSTORY MONTH

WHEREAS American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS American women have played, and continue to play, a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home;

WHEREAS American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the nation;

WHEREAS American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our nation;

WHEREAS American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education does hereby adopt this Resolution to encourage: the celebration of Women's Herstory Month; the instruction to our students on the achievements and contributions of women; fostering in our students a greater understanding of the roles women have played throughout the history of our nation; and helping all students understand their responsibilities in protecting and preserving gender equality.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of March 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein
Board President

Dr. Ben Drati
Superintendent