



**CONTINUING RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
AND HONORING NATIONAL WOMEN'S
HISTORY MONTH
RESOLUTION 24-06**

WHEREAS, women have made extraordinary contributions across the entire span of human development, and yet, women's roles and contributions to societies and modern civilization have been and continue to be undervalued and underrecognized.

WHEREAS, throughout the history of the United States, American women have been trailblazers and unsung heroines who have guided the course of American history as abolitionists, civil rights leaders, suffragists, and labor activists.

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation by providing much of the volunteer labor force and improving the productivity of the workplace. American women were the driving force behind the establishment of early charitable philanthropic and cultural institutions, and their work ethic helped tilt the momentum of World War II in favor of our nation.

WHEREAS, today, women power the economy and lead our Nation by serving as advocates for reproductive rights, champions of racial justice, community leaders, educators, doctors, scientists, soldiers, nurses, childcare providers, and more.

WHEREAS President Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8, 1980, as National Women's History Week; and

WHEREAS, Representative Barbara Mikulski, who at the time was in the House of Representatives, and Senator Orrin Hatch co-sponsored a Congressional Resolution for National Women's History Week 1981; and

WHEREAS, in 1987 Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Biden-Harris Administration issued the first-ever national gender strategy to advance the full participation of all people – including women and girls – in the United States and around the world.

WHEREAS, these collective actions acknowledge that women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions in every area to the growth and strength of our nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, despite the significant progress made toward gender equity and equality in America, mistreatment, discrimination, abuse, and violence against women continue to persist.

WHEREAS, considerable barriers continue to exist for women, particularly for women and girls of color, as they fight for leadership and promotion opportunities, job security, equal pay, quality health care, etc.

WHEREAS, within Yuba Community College District, over 60 percent of students are female, and 58 percent of District employees, including faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees are women. Together, they represent the best of our District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Yuba Community College District recognizes the month of March as Women’s History Month and honors the female faculty, staff, and students at the Yuba Community College District for their contributions to education and student success.

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Yuba Community College District calls on all members of the District community to do their part in advancing gender equity and equality and in the creation of an organization where every female student and employee can achieve their utmost unique potential.

Dated this 8th day of February 2024

Yuba Community College District

**Susan Alves, President
Board of Trustees**