

CONTINUING RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

2025 Theme: African Americans and Labor

RESOLUTION 25-01

WHEREAS, the origin of Black History Month began in 1915, half a century after the Thirteenth Amendment abolished slavery in the United States, and grew out of "Negro History Week," the creation of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans; and

WHEREAS, with the Civil Rights Movement and a growing awareness of black identity, Black History Month or National African American History Month evolved to an annual celebration of achievements by black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 theme for Black History Month, African Americans and Labor, is a powerful reflection on the pivotal role that the hard work of African Americans has played in shaping our country's history; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of African Americans from all walks of life and their endeavors to learn and thrive throughout history and make unforgettable marks in our Nation as artists, scientists, educators, business people, influential thinkers, members of the faith community, athletes, and political and governmental leaders, reflects the greatness of the United States; and

WHEREAS, remaining hopeful and confident about the path ahead, and a time to acknowledge the courageous fight for the rights, liberties, and freedoms for all Americans, the Yuba Community College District observes and honors Black History Month and encourages educators, students, and families to learn about the heritage and achievements of African Americans through appropriate programs and activities that reflect the theme for 2025: African Americans and Labor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yuba Community College District Board of Trustees does hereby adopt this resolution to honor Black History Month and recognize the tremendous contributions made by African Americans.

Dated this 9th day of January 2025

Yuba Community College District

Richard Teagarden, President

Board of Trustees