

WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Resolution 40-16:
Adult Education Week, April 3-9, 2016**

WHEREAS, the week of April 3, 2016, to April 9, 2016, inclusive, is observed as "Adult Education Week," recognizing the unique accomplishments of California adult schools; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature acknowledges that adult schools that are provided by K-12 school districts offer quality programs to meet the ever-changing economic and workforce development and lifelong learning needs of our diverse state; and

WHEREAS, the first recorded adult education class in California was held in the basement of St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco in 1856. The class was authorized by the San Francisco Board of Education to teach English to Irish, Italian, and Chinese immigrants. John Swett, who was the first volunteer teacher for the class, later became a Superintendent of Public Instruction; and

WHEREAS, adult schools provide a way for adults to complete secondary-education studies and obtain a high school diploma or its equivalent at their own pace and to prepare for and transition to postsecondary education and career training. Adult schools also provide critical opportunities to bring recent dropouts back to school; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Legislature and Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. saved California adult schools from the brink of closure by establishing the Adult Education Block Grant program that is helping to restore access and programming for adult learners with planning and collaboration on a regional scale; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Woodland Joint Unified School District approved a resolution in support of retaining Adult Education in K-12 on February 14, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Woodland Joint Unified School District proclaims the week of April 3, 2016, to April 9, 2016, inclusive, as Adult Education Week, and honors the teachers, administrators, classified staff, and students of adult education programs for their efforts, persistence, and accomplishments.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of March, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENCES:

ABSENTIONS:

BOARD SECRETARY

BOARD PRESIDENT