## MOUNTAIN VIEW LOS ALTOS HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## **RESOLUTION NO. 22/23-16: RECOGNIZING AND HONORING FEBRUARY 2023 AS NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, American history testifies and reflects upon the challenges and struggles against which Black and African American people fought with determination, perseverance and cultural pride to gain access to equal opportunities as provided by our Nation's principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and,

WHEREAS, Black and African American men and women have participated in every American's responsibility to protect the United States Constitution, and advance the cause of freedom and civil rights and,

WHEREAS, even after the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery in 1865 and the 14th Amendment granting citizenship and equal rights to African Americans and slaves in 1868, Black and African Americans continue to experience and overcome racism and discrimination to this day; and

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

WHEREAS, all students and teachers need an opportunity to better understand the common threads of African American people's faith, family and freedom to develop pride in their own identity and heritage, and to respect and accept the identity, diversity and heritage of others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mountain View Los Altos High School District hereby proclaims the month of February, 2023, National African American History Month and encourages all educational communities to commemorate this occasion this month and throughout the year with appropriate instructional activities, programs, and cultural events.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mountain View Los Altos High School District Board of Trustees at a meeting held on January 23, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_ NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTENTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT:

Phil Faillace President, Board of Trustees Nellie Meyer, Ed.D. Superintendent