## WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



## Resolution 46-22: Adult Education Week, April 18-22, 2022

**WHEREAS,** the week of April 18-22, 2022 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,** 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; 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 has restored access and programming for adult learners with planning and collaboration on a regional scale.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of the Woodland Joint Unified School District proclaims the week of April 18-22, 2022 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022, by unanimous vote.

RETARY BOARD PRESIDE