

Berkeley Unified School District
Board of Education
RESOLUTION NO. 15-039

Proclaiming February 2015 as
National African American History Month

WHEREAS, February has been designated African American History Month by various official bodies; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District recognizes and celebrates the contribution of African American historical figures, leaders, teachers, parents, community activists, and has a longtime commitment to integration in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District again affirms its commitment to appreciating, celebrating and valuing its African American students, and recognizes the importance of acknowledging the history, culture, and struggles of our African American community; and

WHEREAS, in light of recent events in Ferguson and New York, Berkeley Unified School District has demonstrated a commitment to promoting education and community conversations on racial justice, including the recently held forum on Black Lives Matter, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education encourages discussions, presentations, and projects relating to and enhancing the experience of African American History Month; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 11th day of February, 2015, February 2015 be declared African American History Month in the Berkeley Unified School District; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be distributed to all school sites and given a prominent place on the District's website.

Judy Appel, Director

Karen Hemphill, Clerk