

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

No. 2021-0137

**Tribute – Jumoke Hinton Hodge – Board Member – District 3
January 5, 2009 through January 4, 2021**

WHEREAS, Jumoke Hinton Hodge was elected to the Oakland Unified School District Board of Education in 2008, and was sworn in as District 3 Director in 2009, and then re-elected in 2012 and again in 2016; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge was elected Vice President of the Board by her colleagues in September 2011, and re-elected in January 2012, and elected again for a one-year term in January 2018; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge was an active member of the West Oakland community and the greater Bay Area working in Youth Development, fighting for environmental justice and access to high quality affordable food, and co-founded the Parent Leadership and Engagement Academy supporting West Oakland families to have more responsibility and agency on the quality of education being provided for their children, and was a founding member of RJOY, Restorative Justice for Oakland Youth, and her first Board resolution was in partnership with RJOY whose vision is to address the disproportional over-disciplining of Black students, lack of consistency, and bias in discipline practices in the school district; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge has worked hard to make the school district Anti Racist in every way, in teaching and learning and beyond, and look deeply at the policies and practices that disenfranchise and support systemic barriers to a Liberatory educational system, was active on the Equity Task Force, working with such leaders as Chris Chatmon and Curtiss Sarikey in the authoring of the BP Equity Policy, and is proud to have supported ethnic studies and equitable representation of diverse groups in our curriculum; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge supported Board Policy 7115 ensuring that Oakland small businesses have access to at least 50% of the contracts within the District's capital improvement programs, worked alongside local contractors to ensure access to meaningful projects, and is proud to support the next generation of Black, Latino, and Women-owned contractors such as Eclipse Electric of California and Tulum; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge is proud to support policies such as the Quality Community Schools, Ethnic Studies, Distance Learning, and especially her recent policy work with cross-governmental agencies, practitioners, families and community groups like State of Black Education in Oakland, to author BP 7351 designed to interrupt Housing Insecurity for Unsheltered, Newcomer youth, and OUSD employees; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge has been actively engaged in national conversations on Urban education through the Council of Great City Schools, where she served on the Executive Board and as Chair in 2015, supported the work of leaders like Nicole Knight, who collaborates with the Council, on Best Practices supporting English Language Learners, and is a founding Fellow with School Board Partners which supports Anti Racist School Board members across the country; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge Represented historic West Oakland schools like Prescott Elementary which her mother and daughter attended, and where Dr. Ida Jackson became the first African American teacher in California, and fostered the legacy promoting African Centered education academically and through arts and culture with programs like Prescott Circus Arts Troupe, and founded the West Oakland Brain Trust that sought to remove silos between educators, parents, and communities which helped create the STEAM Corridor of West Oakland schools; and,

WHEREAS, Director Hinton Hodge boldly fought against ideologies, politics, and discriminatory actions to diminish predominantly Black, Asian/PI, Brown and Indigenous students' opportunity to choose Charter schools, worked alongside Exceptional Oakland Charter School Leaders to raise expectations and support the excellence in these autonomous public schools, and takes great honor in supporting families to have Choice within Oakland to demand quality education for their often underserved children,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby recognizes and celebrates Director Hinton Hodge as a Servant Leader for the children of Oakland, who has been proud to work alongside OUSD employees and educators that aspire to create a world-class education for every child regardless of race, diverse language, or status in our society, and while this struggle is within an imperfect system, her dedication to the People's Liberation through education is steadfast. The Board wish her the very best as she completes her final term on the Board of Education and continues to be a champion for our community and our world.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 9th day of December, 2020, in Oakland, California.

Jody London
President, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District

Kyla Johnson-Trammell
Superintendent of Schools
Oakland Unified School District

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District on this 9th day of December, 2020.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on December 9, 2020.

Kyla Johnson Trammell, Secretary, Board of Education

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