

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 1314-0023**

Naming New Classroom Building at Lincoln Elementary School In Honor of Caroline Yee

WHEREAS, Caroline Yee was a wonderful woman and a tireless public servant who devoted her life to providing rich experiences and brighter futures for Oakland’s children; and

WHEREAS, Yee touched untold numbers of lives during a career in education that spanned more than four decades, multiple generations and several chapters in the history of this city and this school district; and

WHEREAS, Yee demonstrated unflinching commitment to the betterment of children and whatever work was required to that realize that goal; and

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WHEREAS, Yee filled numerous roles in OUSD including teacher, principal and administrator, and excelled in them all; and

WHEREAS, Yee educated students in every part of Oakland—East, West, North and the Hills—during her time at Emerson, Hillcrest, Lakeview, Lincoln, Martin Luther King, Jr., Sequoia, and Washington Elementary Schools, as well as Holy Names University; and

WHEREAS, two of her Holy Names University colleagues described Yee as “a loving, spirited optimist; a Principal par excellence who changed our Oakland world in so many ways;” and

WHEREAS, a Hillcrest teacher remembered Yee as a “caring and gifted principal who tackled problems with enthusiasm and always played to and helped to develop people’s strengths,” and

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WHEREAS, she went on to praise Yee’s “uncanny way of providing us opportunities to grow and working with us on weaknesses with empathy, compassion and love,” and noted that “her unfaltering faith helped make her a person who was so loved and respected. It was an honor and a pleasure to work with her. We lost her too soon, but our memories will continue to enrich our lives,” and

WHEREAS, every personal recollection of Yee contained the word “caring,” which is indicative of her spirit and the love she brought to her work with the young children who are so in need of this, the greatest of all qualities,

WHEREAS, Yee spent _ years as the Principal, Lincoln Elementary School, which was the joy of her life,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, waiving the waiting period in Board Policy 7310, hereby honors the memory of Caroline Yee for a lifetime of unsurpassed contribution to the growth and well-being of children and the development of Oakland Public Schools, by naming the New Classroom Building, dedicated on August 27, 2009 at Lincoln Elementary School, **the Caroline Yee Memorial Classroom Building.**

PASSED AND ADOPTED on August 28, 2013, by the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District by the following vote:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTENTION:

ABSENT:

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Governing Board on the date and by the vote stated.

Gary Yee
Secretary, Governing Board