

**RESOLUTION OF THE Governing Board OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Tribute to the Oakland Unified School District's
National Board Certified Teachers for 2010-11**

Resolution No. 1011-0097

WHEREAS, **Nicole Knight** of Urban Promise Academy, **Kristine Leunig** of Urban Promise Academy, **Malce Winkelstein** of Garfield Elementary and **Marna Wolak** of the International Community School completed the rigorous assessment required to earn National Board Certified Teacher status; and

WHEREAS, Designation as a National Board Certified Teacher is one of the highest honors in the education profession and an indication of superior competency and;

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers commit approximately 600 hours to earn this distinction; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers make knowledge accessible to all students; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers recognize individual differences that distinguish students and take account for these differences in their practice; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers respect the cultural and family differences students bring to their classroom; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are concerned with their students' self-concept, their motivation and the effects of learning on peer relationships; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are also concerned with the development of character and civic responsibility; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers have mastery over the subjects they teach as well as a deep understanding of the history, structure and real-world applications of the subject; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers have experience in teaching and are familiar with the skills gaps and preconceptions students may bring to the subject; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are able to use diverse instructional strategies to teach for understanding; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers deliver effective instruction and move fluently through a range of instructional techniques while keeping students motivated, engaged and focused; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers know how to assess the progress of individual students as well as the class as a whole; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers use multiple methods for measuring student growth and can clearly explain student performance to parents; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers model what it means to be an educated person – they read, they question, they create and they are willing to try new things; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are familiar with learning theories and instructional strategies and stay abreast of current issues in American education; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers critically examine their practice on a regular basis to deepen knowledge, expand their repertoire of skills, and incorporate new findings into their practice; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are leaders and actively know how to seek and build partnerships with community groups and businesses; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers work with other professionals on instructional policy, curriculum development and staff development; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers can evaluate school progress and the allocation of resources in order to meet state and local education objectives; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers know how to work with parents to engage them productively in the work of the school,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent and the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District salute **Nicole Knight** of Urban Promise Academy, **Kristine Leunig** of Urban Promise Academy, **Malce Winkelstein** of Garfield Elementary and **Marna Wolak** of the International Community School for achieving the rank of National Board Certified Teacher in the year 2010.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District this 26th day of January, 2011; by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Jumoke Hodge, David Kakishiba, Noel Gallo, Christopher Dobbins
Alice Spearman, Vice President Jody London, President Gary Yee

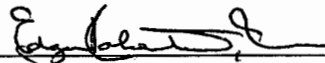
NAYES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION

I, Edgar Rakestraw, Secretary of the Governing Board of the Oakland Unified School District, Alameda County, State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly approved and adopted by the Governing Board of said District at a Regular Meeting thereof held on the 26th day of January, 2011 with a copy of such Resolution being on file in the Office of the Governing Board of said District.



Edgar Rakestraw, Jr.
Secretary, Governing Board

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