

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Resolution No. 1415-1122C

Tribute to Courtney Couvreur in Recognition of Attaining National Board Certified Teacher Status

WHEREAS, Courtney Couvreur, 11th and 12th Grade Statistics Teacher at Oakland International High School, has earned the distinction of National Board Certified Teacher in the area of Mathematics/Adolescence And Young Adulthood, 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 dedication; and

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

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

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are familiar with learning theories and instructional strategies, critically examine their practice on a regular basis, expand their repertoire of skills and incorporate new findings into their practice; and

WHEREAS, National Board Certified Teachers are concerned with the development of character and civic responsibility and 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, Ms. Couvreur is described by Carmelita Reyes, Principal of Oakland International High School, as a responsible, intelligent, compassionate, and incredibly hard-working teacher who has been tireless in changing outcomes for recently arrived immigrant youth in Oakland through formation and support of 11th and 12th grade classes and advisories that have achieved a 90% CAHSEE pass rate; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Couvreur, with the distinction of being a Math for America Fellow, and holding the highest score on the Praxis exam, is a leader among colleagues in department and school wide initiatives not only directly related to academics but in building and supporting a culture of learning among teachers as well as students,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education and Superintendent of the Oakland Unified School District salute Courtney Couvreur for exhibiting professional excellence on a national level and for attaining the distinguished rank of National Board Certified Teacher in the 2014-15 school year.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 10th Day of June 2015 at Qakland, California.

James Harris

President, Board of Education Oakland Unified School District Antwan Wilson

Superintendent

Oakland Unified School District