

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE  
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Resolution No. 1213-0104**

**Honoring the Memory of Caroline Yee for  
Extraordinary Service to the Children of Oakland**

**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

**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

**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,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education, Superintendent of Schools and the entire past and present District staff commends and 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

Given under our hand and the District’s seal this 27th day of February 2013 at Oakland, California.

David Kakishiba  
President, Board of Education  
Oakland Unified School District

Tony Smith  
Superintendent  
Oakland Unified School District

