

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 1314-1170**

**Honoring the Memory of Rosella Jackson for
Extraordinary Service to the Children of Oakland**

WHEREAS, Rosella Jackson 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, during over three decades of service Jackson filled numerous roles in the Oakland Unified School District including teacher, assistant principal, and principal, excelling in them all, and retiring in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Jackson possessed a strong passion and drive to ensure all students had access to quality science instruction and developed an intensity about learning and exploring varied scientific topics. She believed that children learned best through science integration and that an emphasis on science was a way to close gaps and maximize achievement; and

WHEREAS, Jackson is remembered for her uncanny ability to mine the best from each student who crossed her path. She addressed her students as "Scholars" and held them to high standards and expectations, both in their academics and citizenship; and

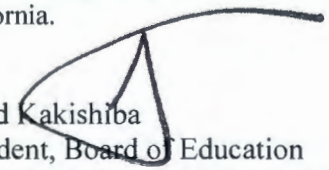
WHEREAS, Jackson would jump for opportunities to bring grants and special learning opportunities to the schools she led. She had an amazing ability to galvanize the energy and involvement of others in service of making schools better places for her students. She was a vibrant, energetic leader who infected all around her with joy and purpose; and

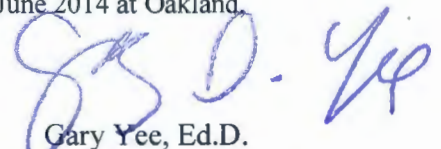
WHEREAS, Jackson was a dear friend to many of her colleagues in the District. She served as a mentor throughout her career, mentoring both teachers and other principals, and is appreciated by many for her wisdom, advice, and support in times of need. Jackson gave thoughtful and honest feedback and knew how to make her colleagues feel appreciated and want to stretch; and

WHEREAS, every personal recollection of Jackson contained the words "inspiring" and "supportive," which are indicative of the spirit and the love she brought to her work with young children who are so in need of these great qualities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, Acting Superintendent of Schools and the entire past and present District staff commends and honors the memory of Rosella Jackson 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 25th day of June 2014 at Oakland, California.


David Kakishiba
President, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District


Gary Yee, Ed.D.
Acting Superintendent
Oakland Unified School District