

PROCLAMATION

Susan B. Anthony

February 15

WHEREAS, February 15th has been established as a day to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of Susan B. Anthony, a great leader in the movement for women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS, Susan B. Anthony was born February 15th, 1820 and as a young girl supported social reform; began teaching school in New York at the age of 14; and strongly supported and participated in the abolition and the temperance movements; and

WHEREAS, in 1851, Susan B. Anthony was introduced to Elizabeth Cady Stanton, a women's rights advocate, and worked side-by-side with her for many years in support of women's suffrage; and

WHEREAS, in 1869, the Fifteenth Amendment was ratified granting black men the right to vote, yet still denying women that same right; and Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton organized the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA), open to all who wanted to join; and

WHEREAS, in 1872, Susan registered and voted in the 1872 presidential election in Rochester, NY and was fined \$100, eventually becoming the President of the National American Women's Suffrage Association (NAWSA) in 1892; and

WHEREAS, during her 60 years of service for women's suffrage, Susan B. Anthony continued to keep the issue of women's rights to vote alive by touring nearly every state and giving approximately 75-100 speeches per year; and

WHEREAS, Susan B. Anthony died March 13, 1906 at the age of 86, before the amendment was passed giving women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, in 1920, the Nineteenth Amendment, often referred to as the Susan B. Anthony Amendment, was passed, giving all women the legal right to vote; now

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Alameda Unified School District Board of Education hereby recognizes February 15th as Susan B. Anthony Day.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of February, 2017.

AYES: _____ MEMBERS: _____

NOES: _____ MEMBERS: _____

ABSENT: _____ MEMBERS: _____

Gary K. Lym, President
Board of Education
Alameda Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California

ATTEST:

By: _____

Sean McPhetridge, Secretary
Board of Education
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