WHEREAS, Americans of African descent helped develop our nation in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, African American history reflects a determined spirit of perseverance and cultural pride in its struggle to share equally in the opportunities of a nation founded upon the principles of freedom and liberty for all people; and

WHEREAS, the history and contributions of African American citizens have been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the curriculum of public education institutions; and

WHEREAS, African American citizens have participated in every effort to secure, protect, and maintain the essence and substance of American democracy, and

WHEREAS, the Ohlone Community College District recognizes African Americans as valued members of our "World of Cultures United in Learning";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ohlone Community College District President/Superintendent and Board of Trustees encourage the observance of AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH throughout the entire College District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 10th day of February 2010.

Gari Browning, Ph.D., President/Superintendent
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Richard Watters, Chair, Board of Trustees
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