



**Sun Prairie Area
School District**

Futures depend on us...every child, every day.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education, administrators, educators, staff, parents and community members of the Sun Prairie Area School District are committed to a vision that "reflects the cultures of our diverse community" and a mission to "inspire and prepare every child, every day, by providing relevant, engaging and innovative learning experiences in and out of the classroom"; and

WHEREAS, in 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, noted Black scholar and Harvard graduate initiated Black History Week; and for many years, the second week of February was chosen to celebrate the contributions and achievements of African American people in the United States so as to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, Black History Week was expanded and became established as Black History Month, and is now celebrated all over North America; and

WHEREAS, this year the Sun Prairie Area School District has again partnered with our African American Parent Network, our Black Student Union and other community members to increase and expand on our efforts to celebrate this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities that honor the contributions and achievements of African American people in the United States by embracing our diversity of thoughts and experiences that engage all of our students; and

WHEREAS, one month is not sufficient to honor all the contributions and achievements of African American people in the United States; and

WHEREAS, African American history is American history; and

WHEREAS, we are committed as a District to keep safe, honor, and love all of our children;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education proudly recognizes the month of February as:

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

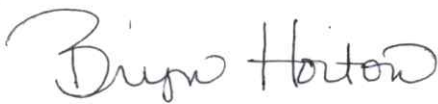
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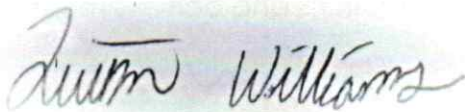
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