



January 21, 2025

Board of Trustees Resolution

Recognizing February as Black History Month

Whereas, the South Orange County Community College District (SOCCCD) is committed to promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout its colleges and community; and

Whereas, Black History Month is celebrated annually during the month of February to honor the significant contributions, achievements, and history of African Americans in the United States; and

Whereas, Black History Month was established to reflect on the struggles and triumphs of Black Americans throughout history, and to educate future generations about the importance of equality, justice, and unity; and

Whereas, SOCCCD acknowledges the profound impact that African Americans have made in the fields of education, science, business, politics, arts, and culture; and

Whereas, SOCCCD reaffirms its commitment to fostering an inclusive learning environment where all students, faculty, and staff are valued and supported; and

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Whereas, the Board of Trustees encourages the entire SOCCCD community to participate in educational events, activities, and discussions that honor the legacy and ongoing contributions of African Americans; now, therefore,

Be it resolved, that the South Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees hereby recognizes February 2025 as Black History Month and encourages all members of the community to join in celebrating and honoring the achievements and history of African Americans.

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