

GROSSMONT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
LA MESA, CALIFORNIA
Proclamation of Adult Education Week
March 9-13, 2009
2009-57

On motion of Member Kelly, seconded by Member Hoy, the following resolution is adopted:

Whereas, the first recorded adult school was sponsored by the San Francisco Board of Education in 1856 with evening classes taught in the basement of St. Mary's Cathedral; and

Whereas, John Swett, one of the first volunteer teachers, became the fourth Superintendent of Public Instruction in California 1863-1867 and returned to San Francisco to become the principal of an evening school from 1868 to 1871; and

Whereas, community demand for adult education resulted in dramatic growth during the early years of the twentieth century; and

Whereas, during the 1920s adult education programs progressed from serving immigrants to meeting the educational needs of all adults; and

Whereas, during World War II, from 1940-1945, nearly one million California workers were trained in adult education classes related to civilian defense and military support programs; and

Whereas, the 1960s brought federal support to remedy inequities of the educationally disadvantaged with adult basic education and vocational education; and

Whereas, Grossmont Adult School first opened its doors in 1946 to serve the local community; and

Whereas, Grossmont Adult School has grown with the expanding population of the region and is particularly responsive to the needs of immigrant populations; and

Whereas, Grossmont Adult School provides instruction to over 35,000 adults every year in response to the many different and important educational needs in the community with opportunities in English-as-a-Second Language and citizenship, adult literacy and high school diploma, parenting, career technical education and apprenticeships, and classes for adults with disabilities and older adults; and

Whereas, Grossmont Adult School provides educational opportunities that enable students to achieve their educational goals and bridge to successful roles as productive workers, participating family members, responsible community members, and functional learners.


Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Governing Board of the Grossmont Union High School District hereby proclaim that Adult Education Week, March 9-13, 2009, will salute the administration, teachers, and students of the Grossmont Adult School and honor their efforts and accomplishments on this day.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of February, 2009, by the Governing Board of the Grossmont Union High School District of La Mesa, California, by the following vote:

AYES: Hoy, Kelly, Schreiber, Shield and Woods
NOES: none
ABSENT: none

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) SS.
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

I, Jim Kelly, Clerk of the Governing Board of the Grossmont Union High School District of La Mesa, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution passed and adopted by the Governing Board at a regularly called and conducted meeting held on said date.



Jim Kelly, Clerk