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## **EDUCATION MOTIONS - MARCH 11, 2014**

## 1. Proclamations

a. **MOTION** to adopt the following resolution designating March 2014 as Youth Art Month:

**WHEREAS**, art education develops students' creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;

**WHEREAS**, art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities;

**WHEREAS**, art education gives students a deeper understanding of multicultural values and beliefs;

**WHEREAS**, art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects;

**WHEREAS**, art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics; and

**WHEREAS**, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students' education.

**THEREFORE,** be it resolved that the Board of Education of Randolph Township School officially recognizes March as Youth Art Month and encourages the support of quality school art programs for children and youth. **(ATTACHMENT 1)** 

b. **MOTION** to adopt the following resolution designating March 2014 as Music in Our Schools Month:

**WHEREAS**, the study of music contributes to young people's development through heightened skills in listening, reading, self-expression, and creativity;

**WHEREAS**, music education in the schools includes a broad range of types of music and active musical experiences;

**WHEREAS**, music and the other arts significantly enhance the morale and quality of the school environment;

**WHEREAS**, it is the stated objective of the public school to prepare children for a productive role in our society; and

WHEREAS, the National Association for Music Education has designated

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March as Music in Our Schools Month focusing on the theme "Music Makes Me".

**THEREFORE,** be it resolved that the Board of Education of Randolph Township Schools endorses the observance of Music in Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of music education and encourages teachers, parents, students, and all citizens to participate. **(ATTACHMENT 2)**