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To: Regular Board Meeting, March 24, 2022

From: Teresa Lubinski, Trustee Ward 4

Subject: Consideration of Motion regarding February 1, 2023 to be recognized as Honourable Dr. Jean Augustine Day at the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB) and every year thereafter.

MOVED BY: **Teresa Lubinski**, Toronto Catholic District School Board

WHEREAS: In December 1995, the House of Commons officially recognized February as Black History Month in Canada following a motion introduced by the first African Canadian woman elected to Parliament, the Honourable Dr. Jean Augustine. The House of Commons carried the motion unanimously;

WHEREAS: Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine, was a Member of Parliament for Etobicoke-Lakeshore;

WHEREAS: Hon. Dr. Augustine was a Teacher and Principal of The Metropolitan Separate School Board now named the Toronto Catholic District School Board;

WHEREAS: February is African-Canadian Heritage Month at the TCDSB; and

WHEREAS: Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine has donated funds for the establishment of the Jean Augustine Scholarship at George Brown College in Toronto. The award is available to students in all programs who are graduating. To be eligible for the scholarship, students must demonstrate that they are sole support parents who have overcome obstacles in achieving their educational goals;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: February 1, 2023 is recognized as Honourable Dr. Jean Augustine Day at the Toronto Catholic District School Board and every year thereafter.

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