

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Dr. Jennifer Collier during Women's Month.

RESOLUTION NO. 22214, March 23, 2026

INTRODUCED BY Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Women's History Month recognizes the leadership, accomplishments, and impact of women who strengthen their communities; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Jennifer Collier is superintendent of the Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS), where she was an educator for 26 years; and,

WHEREAS, she served as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, Chief Human Resource Officer, and Deputy Superintendent; and,

WHEREAS, as KCPS Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Collier managed the academic, social-emotional, and operational functioning of schools, overseeing the Departments of School Leadership, Curriculum and Instruction, Professional Development, Student Support, Equity and Inclusion and Human Resources; and,

WHEREAS, under her leadership, KCPS launched Project "Support Our Schools", an initiative to help schools address the pandemic related staffing shortage; and,

WHEREAS, one of Dr. Collier's most urgent academic goals is to ensure that KCPS students are proficient readers; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Collier believes that literacy is a social justice issue and every child, no matter their race, socio-economic status, zip code or educational level of their parents, has the right to learn to read; and,

WHEREAS, it is a moral imperative, as competence in literacy will either serve as a gatekeeper or a passport to a promising future; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED the Jackson County Legislature commends Dr. Jennifer Collier as Superintendent and her many accomplishments.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Whitney S. Miller

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 22214 of March 23, 2026, was duly passed on March 23, 2026 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 7

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 2

3.23.2026
Date

Mary Jo Spino

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature