

Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 2/11/2020

REPORT TO COUNCIL

<u>SUBJECT</u>

Proclaim February 2020 as Black History Month

BACKGROUND

As a Special Order of Business, the City Council would like to recognize the month of February 2020 as Black History Month.

The month of February was officially recognized as Black History Month by the United States Government in 1975 and since then, February has been designated as Black History Month. Black History Month is an annual celebration that honors the achievements and recognizes the important contributions by African Americans throughout our nation's history in their pursuit for freedom and equality. Black History Month honors the historic leaders in the African American Community, who have fought for civil liberties and racial equality. The celebration of Black History Month serves as a reminder to remember those who have sacrificed and suffered for the sake of racial equality and to honor those achievements that have shaped the United States.

DISCUSSION

In honor of Black History Month, the Mayor has signed a City Proclamation proclaiming the month of February 2020 as Black History Month in the City of Santa Clara.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This is an information report only and no action is being taken by the City Council and no environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") is required.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the City other than staff time.

PUBLIC CONTACT

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