

**WHEREAS,** during Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual, and political development; and

**WHEREAS,** Black History Month grew out of the establishment, in 1926, of Negro History Week by Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and

**WHEREAS,** the Black History Month 2023 theme, "Black Resistance," explores how African Americans have resisted historic and ongoing oppression; and

**WHEREAS**, the observance of Black History Month calls our attention to the continued need to battle racism and build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Tulare continues to work toward becoming an inclusive community in which all citizens are respected and recognized for their contributions and potential contributions to our community, the state, the country, and the world; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Tulare is proud to honor the history and contributions of African Americans in our community, throughout our state, and nation.

**NOW THEREFORE,** in recognition of African Americans, past and present, in our community, we, the City Council of the City of Tulare, do hereby proclaim February 2023 as

## **Black History Month**

in the City of Tulare and encourage all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture, and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.



Jury a Sayre Terry A. Sayre, Mayor

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