## City Of Tulare, California Proclamation



## **2022 National Black History Month**

**WHEREAS**, each February, we take time to commemorate that there is no American History without Black History; and,

**WHEREAS**, the origins of Black History Month can be traced to the scholar Carter G. Woodson, who in 1926 conceived a yearly celebration to help rectify the omission of African-Americans from history books; and,

**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, 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 to level the imbalance in historical perspective; and,

WHEREAS, the 2022 National Theme for Black History Month is "Black Health and Wellness" which explores the legacy of not only Black scholars and medical practitioners in Western medicine, but also those contributions from birth works, doulas, midwives, naturopaths, herbalists, etc. The 2022 theme considers activities, rituals, and initiatives that have contributed to Black communities health and wellness; 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,** I, Dennis A. Mederos, Mayor of the City of Tulare, on behalf of the Tulare City Council and in consideration of the foregoing recitals, do hereby proclaim February 2022 as Black History Month in the City of Tulare and encourage all citizens to celebrate our diversity and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for everyone.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2022

Dennis A. Mederos, Mayor