RESOLUTION NO. ______

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA
DECLARING FEBRUARY OF EACH YEAR AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, the character of Pasadena from its beginning has reflected a
diverse and dedicated population of persons of many ethnic and cultural backgrounds,
including from the early years of the City’s history the presence of persons whose
ancestors come from Africa who make up a substantial portion of the City’s total
population; and

WHEREAS, such community members have made many positive
contributions to the social, artistic, linguistic, cultural, and intellectual aspects of our
community with their many achievements, and they are properly proud of their history,
traditions and heritage; and

WHEREAS, each year, Americans observe Black History Month during
February by celebrating the cultures and contributions of American citizens whose
ancestors came from Africa; and

WHEREAS, Pasadena wants to make official its historical observance each
year of Black History Month and to continue its tradition at the local level of celebrating
these cultures and contributions that occurs throughout our nation; and

WHEREAS, these histories, cultures and contributions will increasingly impact
the social and economic life of our community and the State of California.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena that February of each year is designated as Black History Month in the City of Pasadena to commemorate the spirit and meaning of the cultures and contributions of persons whose ancestors come from Africa, as well as the importance of promoting, preserving and protecting such heritage within our community.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the 2nd day of February, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Mark Jomsky, CMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Theresa E. Fuentes
Assistant City Attorney