

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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

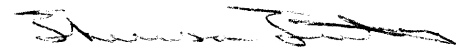
ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Mark Jomsky, CMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



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Theresa E. Fuentes  
Assistant City Attorney