

# IN RECOGNITION OF ANDREW DeGRAFFENREIDT, III

**FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

- WHEREAS,** ANDREW DeGRAFFENREIDT, III (“DREW”) WAS BORN IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI ON SEPTEMBER 18, 1951, THE ONLY SON OF THE LATE ANDREW DeGRAFFENREIDT, II AND EDDIE PEARL BLACK DeGRAFFENREIDT; AND
- WHEREAS,** AFTER GRADUATING FROM NOVA HIGH SCHOOL, DREW ATTENDED SWARTHMORE COLLEGE, MAJORING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, FOLLOWED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW; AND
- WHEREAS,** UPON GRADUATION FROM LAW SCHOOL, DREW SERVED AS A RESEARCH AIDE FOR GENERAL COUNSEL OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THEN AS AN ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL; AND
- WHEREAS,** AFTER LEAVING THE BROWARD COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE, DREW SERVED AS DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND LATER BECAME HOLLYWOOD’S FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN CITY ATTORNEY, HOLDING THE POSITION FROM NOVEMBER 16, 1983 TO JANUARY 6, 1988; AND
- WHEREAS,** DREW SERVED ON THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, HOLLYWOOD PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD, HOLLYWOOD BOARD OF APPEALS AND ADJUSTMENT, AND THE HOLLYWOOD GENERAL PENSION FUND; AND
- WHEREAS,** DREW ENJOYED A LONG, RICH, REWARDING, AND SUCCESSFUL LEGAL CAREER SPANNING OVER 43 YEARS, AND WHICH CONTINUED UP UNTIL HIS UNTIMELY DEATH; AND
- WHEREAS,** IN CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH, THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ITS FIRST BLACK CITY ATTORNEY, ANDREW DeGRAFFENREIDT, III, FOR HIS SERVICE AND LIFE; NOW
- THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 17, 2021, AS:

## **A DAY IN RECOGNITION OF ANDREW DeGRAFFENREIDT, III**

SIGNED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF  
FEBRUARY 2021, AT  
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR JOSH LEVY  
VICE MAYOR LINDA SHERWOOD  
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM  
COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON  
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI  
COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER  
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN