

A PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEBRUARY 2015

WHEREAS: THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY IS RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH; AND

WHEREAS: BLACK HISTORY MONTH HONORS AND AFFIRMS THE IMPORTANCE OF BLACK HISTORY THROUGHOUT OUR AMERICAN EXPERIENCE; AND

WHEREAS: AFRICAN AMERICANS HAVE FACED OVERWHELMING ODDS IN MAKING THEIR NAMES AND STORIES KNOWN; AND

WHEREAS: IN SPITE OF NUMEROUS BARRIERS, AFRICAN AMERICAN SCHOLARS, ARTISTS, ATHLETES AND LEADERS SELF-CONSCIOUSLY USED THEIR TALENTS TO CHANGE HOW THE WORLD VIEWED AFRICAN AMERICANS; AND

WHEREAS: AT THE DAWN OF THESE STRIVINGS AND AT ALL POINTS ALONG THE ROAD, THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY (ASALH) HAS PLAYED A VITAL ROLE; AND

WHEREAS: IN 1915, DOCTOR CARTER G. WOODSON FOUNDED THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY UNDER THE BELIEF THAT HISTORICAL TRUTH WOULD CRUSH FALSEHOODS AND USHER IN A NEW ERA OF EQUALITY, OPPORTUNITY AND RACIAL DEMOCRACY, WHICH HAS BEEN THE CHARGE OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR A CENTURY; AND

WHEREAS: IN HONOR OF THIS MILESTONE, THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY HAS SELECTED "*A CENTURY OF BLACK LIFE, HISTORY, AND CULTURE*" AS THE 2015 NATIONAL BLACK HISTORY THEME; AND

WHEREAS: BLACK HISTORY MONTH IS A TIME FOR ALL AMERICANS TO REMEMBER AND REFLECT UPON THE BRAVERY, SELFLESS ACTS AND SACRIFICES OF AFRICAN AMERICANS WHO, THROUGHOUT AMERICAN HISTORY, HAVE SOUGHT FREEDOM FROM BONDAGE AND OPPRESSION, AND STROVE FOR EQUALITY, JUSTICE AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE FULLY IN THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE; AND

WHEREAS: ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2015, AT THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, FROM 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM, BARRY UNIVERSITY IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD'S AFRICAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL, WILL LAUNCH A SIX PART WORKSHOP SERIES ON AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE THAT WILL PROVIDE AN INTERACTIVE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR ALL WHO ATTEND; NOW

THEREFORE: PETER BOBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 2015, AS:

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

IN HOLLYWOOD, AND URGE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES COMMEMORATING THIS SPECIAL MONTH.

SIGNED THIS 4TH DAY OF
FEBRUARY 2015, AT
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR PETER BOBER
VICE MAYOR KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN
COMMISSIONER PATRICIA ASSEFF
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER RICHARD S. BLATTNER
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