

**IN RECOGNITION OF
JUNETEENTH SOUTH BROWARD AND
THE 10TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH PARADE**

JUNE 19, 2026

- WHEREAS,** JUNETEENTH COMMEMORATES JUNE 19, 1865, WHEN UNION SOLDIERS, LED BY MAJOR GENERAL GORDON GRANGER, ARRIVED IN GALVESTON WITH NEWS THAT THE CIVIL WAR HAD ENDED AND THAT ENSLAVED INDIVIDUALS WERE FREE. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CAME MORE THAN TWO YEARS AFTER PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN ISSUED THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION, MARKING A MONUMENTAL MOMENT OF FREEDOM FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, THROUGH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, CITY STAFF, AND RESIDENTS, HAVE MAINTAINED A LONGSTANDING TRADITION OF RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF JUNETEENTH AS A DAY OF HISTORICAL REFLECTION, CULTURAL CELEBRATION, AND COMMUNITY UNITY, WITH FORMAL RECOGNITION DATING BACK TO 2004 WHEN MAYOR MARA GIULIANTI ISSUED THE CITY'S FIRST JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION; AND
- WHEREAS,** OVER THE PAST TWO DECADES, JUNETEENTH OBSERVANCES IN HOLLYWOOD HAVE CONTINUED TO GROW THROUGH THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS OF RESIDENTS, ORGANIZATIONS, THE CITY, AND THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL, FOSTERING GREATER AWARENESS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY, HERITAGE, AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY; AND
- WHEREAS,** IN A VIBRANT DISPLAY OF CULTURE, HERITAGE, AND UNITY, JUNETEENTH SOUTH BROWARD IS HOSTING ITS 10TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH PARADE, BUILDING UPON A TRADITION ESTABLISHED BY GEORGETTE LASLEY-KNOX THROUGH COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS BEGINNING IN 2017 AND THE INAUGURAL JUNETEENTH PARADE AND FESTIVAL IN 2018, WHILE CONTINUING ITS MISSION TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE THROUGH EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES THAT BENEFIT THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD AND SURROUNDING SOUTH BROWARD COMMUNITIES; AND
- WHEREAS,** THE 10TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH PARADE WILL BEGIN AT BUTLER'S TEMPLE, LOCATED AT 5701 FLAGLER STREET, PROCEED SOUTH TO FLETCHER STREET, CONTINUE ALONG 56TH AVENUE AND WASHINGTON STREET, AND CONCLUDE AT 5199 PEMBROKE ROAD, WHERE THE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION WILL CONTINUE, BRINGING RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TOGETHER TO HONOR FREEDOM, HERITAGE, AND THE ENDURING PURSUIT OF EQUALITY; NOW
- THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM JUNE 19, 2026, AS:

**JUNETEENTH SOUTH BROWARD AND THE 10TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH PARADE
IN THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA.**

SIGNED THIS 17TH DAY OF
JUNE 2026 AT
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY
VICE MAYOR TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ
COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN
COMMISSIONER IDELMA QUINTANA