

PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING FEBRUARY 2018 AS

Black History Month

WHEREAS, the widespread recognition of the many cultural, educational, spiritual and patriotic contributions of African Americans to the United States of America is nationally honored every February as **Black History Month**; and

WHEREAS, **Black History Month**, also known as African American History Month, having been founded in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, is an annual effort to highlight events and personalities relevant to Black History; and

WHEREAS; then-President Gerald Ford, in 1976, recognized **Black History Month** during the United States Bicentennial and every President since then has done the same; and

WHEREAS; African American culture has been a crucial element of the history of the United States, deserving of respect, honor and gratitude; and

WHEREAS; **Black History Month** in 2018 is focusing on the many military contributions made by African Americans throughout the history of the United States with the theme ‘African Americans in Times of War’; and

WHEREAS; **Black History Month** also creates many opportunities for widespread local reflection within San Mateo County on the significance of historic and current African American personalities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County does hereby support, endorse, recognize and proclaim **Black History Month** as taking place in February 2018.

Dated: February 13, 2018

SUPERVISORS:

DAVE PINE, PRESIDENT

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors