

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