

**Resolution in Honoring Black History Month  
February, 2019**

**WHEREAS**, the month of February, 2019 is observed nationally as Black History Month to share the accomplishments black Americans have made and continue to offer to this nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Black History Month acknowledges and honors numerous past and present educators, scientists, activists, pioneers, leaders, artists, inventors, entrepreneurs, and elders with special ceremonies and activities; and

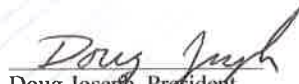
**WHEREAS**, Black History Month, which originally started as Negro History Week, is celebrated during the month of February and dates back to 1926 when Dr. Carter G. Woodson set aside a special period to recognize the heritage and achievements of African Americans; and

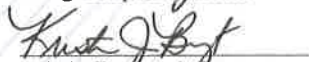
**WHEREAS**, in 1976, President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”; and


**WHEREAS**, since 1976, each year the month of February has been officially designated as Black History Month. Also, around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, has devote a month to celebrating black history; and

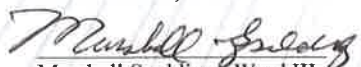
**WHEREAS**, Black History is a part of American History, thus being ingrained in the City of Reynoldsburg history.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG:** That this Council does hereby recognize and declare the month of February, 2019 as Black History Month in the City of Reynoldsburg.

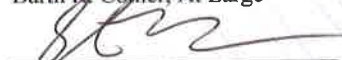
  
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