

TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
COUNTY OF BERGEN
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #21-124

INTRODUCED: *Shanley*

SECONDED: *Boonstra*

MEETING DATE: January 12, 2020

REFERENCE: February is Proclaimed
Black History Month

VOTE: BOONSTRA

MADIGAN

MELCHIONNE

SHANLEY

RUBENSTEIN

WHEREAS,

during Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual and political development: and

WHEREAS,

in 1915, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, noted Black scholar and son of former slaves, founded the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and

WHEREAS,

Dr. Woodson initiated Black History Week, February 12, 1926: and for many years, the second week in February, chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated by African Americans in the United States; and

WHEREAS,

in 1976, President Gerald Ford issued the first African American History Month proclamation seizing the opportunity to honor the often-neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our nation's history; and

WHEREAS,

the observance of Black History Month calls our Nation's attention to the continued need to battle racism and to build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that February 2021 is **Black History Month** in the Township of Wyckoff and we urge all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful and prosperous for all.

CERTIFICATION

I, NANCY A. BROWN, ACTING MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF, CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 12, 2021.

Nancy A. Brown

NANCY A. BROWN
ACTING MUNICIPAL CLERK