



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: February 10, 2026

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, Proclaiming February 2026 as Black History Month in Sonoma County

Whereas, Black History Month is the celebration of the African Diaspora observed by the United States, Canada, Ireland, the United Kingdom and Jamaica; and

Whereas, the precursor to Black History Month originally began in 1926 as Negro History Week, created by Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH) marking the 100-year anniversary this year; and

Whereas, Woodson wrote, "If a race has no history, it has no worthwhile tradition, it becomes a negligible factor in the thought of the world, and it stands in danger of being exterminated;" and

Whereas, some agencies presently seek to erase Black History, Black Accomplishments, Black Creativity and Black Lives; and

Whereas, Sonoma County has continued to Celebrate and Honor Black History Month; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors will preserve and uphold the acknowledgment of Black History Month in Sonoma County.

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Supervisors:

Rabbitt: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins: Hermosillo:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.