



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
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SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 6/6/2023

To: County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): County Administrator's Office and Human Resources Department

Staff Name and Phone Number: Victoria Willard 707-565-2955

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Recommended Action:

Adopt a Gold Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, Recognizing June 19, 2023, as Juneteenth Independence Day. (Countywide)

Executive Summary:

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Discussion:

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States. June 19, 1865, marks the day when Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, arrived in Galveston, Texas with news that the Civil War had ended and the enslaved were free. The troops' arrival came a full two and a half years after President Lincoln's signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Locally, Marteel Perry founded Santa Rosa's Juneteenth Celebration in 1954. Marteel Perry was a true advocate for the underserved of Santa Rosa and represented the community on clean water issues, child welfare, and many other social issues.

This year will be the 53rd Annual MLK Community Festival Celebration of Diversity and Inclusion celebrating Juneteenth. This event is free and open to community members of all ages with various activities including music, guest speakers, family friendly games, basketball tournament, and food encouraging the community to come together and remember why we celebrate this important day.

Prior Board Actions:

Gold Resolution 7/13/2021, item 40, 2021-0623

Gold Resolution 6/13/2022, item 37, 2022-0530

FISCAL SUMMARY

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

N/A

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

N/A

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Attachments:

Gold Resolution

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

N/A