

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, NJ

No. **MC16-0614-37**

Date of Adoption **JUNE 14, 2016**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY ON THE BASIS OF FACTS SET FORTH BY

*Legislative Research Officer*

PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

**FREDERIC**

SECONDED BY

**COX**

## RESOLUTION

Recognizing June 2016 as Caribbean American Heritage Month  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

WHEREAS, in June 2005, the House of Representatives unanimously adopted H. Con. Res. 71, sponsored by Congresswoman Barbara Lee, recognizing the significance of Caribbean people and their descendants in the history and culture of the United States. On February 14, 2006, the resolution similarly passed the Senate, culminating a two-year, bipartisan and bicameral effort.

WHEREAS, the White House has issued an annual proclamation recognizing June as Caribbean-American Heritage Month. This year marks the tenth anniversary of June as National Caribbean American Heritage Month.

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington is home to and employer of many Caribbean Americans;

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington joins the President of the United States in recognizing that:

"Caribbean Americans are part of a great national tradition, descendants of hopeful, striving people who journeyed to our lands in search of a better life. They were drawn by a belief in the power of opportunity, a belief that through hard work and sacrifice, they could provide their children with chances they had never known. Thanks to these opportunities and their talent and perseverance, Caribbean Americans have contributed to every aspect of our society -- from science and medicine to business and the arts. During National Caribbean-American Heritage Month, we honor their history, culture, and essential role in the American narrative."

"As America celebrates our Caribbean heritage, let us hold fast to the spirit that makes our country a beacon to the world. This month, let us remember that we are always at our best when we focus not on what we can tear down, but on what we can build up. And together, let us strengthen the bonds that hold together the most diverse Nation on earth."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the Township of Irvington joins with Mayor Tony Vauss and the Township of Irvington Municipal Council do join the Nation, States, Counties and Cities throughout this great country in proclaiming June 2016 as Caribbean-American Heritage Month. I encourage all Americans to celebrate the history and culture of Caribbean Americans with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

## RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

X = Indicates Vote

N.V. = No Vote

A.B. = Absent

| COUNCIL MEMBER              | YES | NO | N.V. | A.B. | COUNCIL MEMBER           | YES | NO | N.V. | A.B. |
|-----------------------------|-----|----|------|------|--------------------------|-----|----|------|------|
| BURGESS, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT | X   |    |      |      | JONES, 2ND VICEPRESIDENT | X   |    |      |      |
| COX                         | X   |    |      |      | LYONS                    | X   |    |      |      |
| HUDLEY                      | X   |    |      |      | FREDERIC, PRESIDENT      | X   |    |      |      |
| INMAN                       | X   |    |      |      |                          |     |    |      |      |

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL CLERK

DATE **JUNE 14, 2016**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Municipal Council. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the Corporate Seal of the Township of Irvington.

MUNICIPAL CLERK

DATE **6/14/16**

ADMINISTRATOR ☐ ASSESSOR ☐ BLDG ☐ CFO ☐ COLLECTOR ☐ COURT ☐ ENGINEER ☐ FIRE ☐ CH ☐ HEALTH ☐ HOUSING ☐ INIC ☐ JUDGE ☐ LEGAL ☐ LIBR ☐ LICEN ☐ MAYOR ☐ OCDP ☐ PARKS ☐ PAYROLL ☐ PUBLIC SAFETY ☐ DIR ☐ PUBLIC WORKS ☐ PURCHASING ☐ SEC ☐ PB/ZBA ☐ TRAFFIC ☐ ZONING ☐ OFF ☐ DLGS ☐ GNCD ☐ OTHER(S):