

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, NJ

No. **MC 17-0215-6**

Date of Adoption **FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

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

Legislative Research Officer

PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER **JONES** SECONDED BY **BURGESS**

RESOLUTION OF COMMEMORATION 2017 AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH 91ST ANNUAL OBSERVANCE

WHEREAS, February is AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH and marks the 91st annual observance since inaugurated as Negro History Week in February 1926 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Jr., a Ph.D. from Harvard University, born to parents who were former slaves; and

WHEREAS, history is filled with the far reaching accomplishments of African Americans such as W.E.B. DuBois, Frederick Douglas, Paul Robeson, Harriet Tubman, Booker T. Washington, Hank Aaron, Ralph Bunch, Benjamin Banneker, Nelson Mandela and more recently Colin Powell, Clarence Thomas, Condoleeza Rice and President Barack H. Obama and many others whose efforts continue to contribute to the growth of this nation; and

WHEREAS, America and the world continues to benefit from the achievements of African Americans, such as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Coretta Scott King, Fannie Lou Hamer, Stokeley Carmichael, Gloria Richardson and Angela Davis who strove to make America a better place for all Americans no matter what their race, color, creed or economic status; and

WHEREAS, America continues to benefit from the struggle of African Americans for equality, and progress is made manifest through the presence of persons of African American heritage in all branches of government and public life including the Congress of the United States, the New Jersey State Legislature, as Mayors of various cities, the Irvington Municipal Council, the Irvington Chamber of Commerce, and the Irvington Board of Education, as well as other numerous commissions, committees and local agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that February, 2017 is hereby proclaimed as African American History Month in the Township of Irvington in recognition of the many contributions to the struggle for dignity and equality made by African American people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Irvington Public Library, the African American Heritage Committee and to the local branch of the N.A.A.C.P.

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				INMAN				X
COX	X				JONES, 2ND VICEPRESIDENT	X			
FREDERIC	X				LYONS, PRESIDENT	X			
DR. HUDLEY				X					

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL *[Signature]* MUNICIPAL CLERK *[Signature]* DATE **FEBRUARY 15, 2017**

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 *[Signature]*

DATE

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