

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, NJ

No. MC 19-0528-37

Date of Adoption MAY 28, 2019

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

[Signature]
Legislative Research Officer

PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COX SECONDED BY HUDLEY

Resolution Recognizing June 2019 as Caribbean American Heritage Month 13th 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 thirteenth anniversary of June as National Caribbean American Heritage Month.

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

WHEREAS, to commemorate and celebrate Caribbean Heritage Month, the Township of Irvington is hosting a heritage month Flag Raising Ceremony on May 31, 2019 and a Caribbean Festival on June 22, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington joins 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, 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 2019 as Caribbean-American Heritage Month. We 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.
BEASLEY	X				DR. HUDLEY	X			
BURGESS, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT	X				INMAN				X
COX	X				LYONS, PRESIDENT				X
FREDERIC	X								

ACTING PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL Brian C. Burgess MUNICIPAL CLERK Holden Min DATE MAY 28, 2019

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 MAY 28 2019



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