

WHEREAS, February is designated as black history month and African Americans have contributed immeasurably to the richness of our dynamic, multicultural society. They embody our Nation's core values, including devotion to family, commitment to hard work and pride in their heritage, and have added to every aspect of our national life; and

WHEREAS, we must bear witness to the progress, richness, and diversity of African American achievement; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and conservation of African American heritage and culture are important to our history; and

WHEREAS, an observance of African American achievement has been recognized since 1926; and

WHEREAS, it is important that we share this celebration of the human spirit as demonstrated by the traditions and legacies of our African American citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARY D. GLICKSTEIN, Mayor of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2017 as:

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

and encourage all of our residents to join in this recognition of the accomplishments and contributions made to our community and country by African Americans.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 24th day of January, 2017.

**CARY D. GLICKSTEIN
MAYOR**