



# Proclamation

*Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo*

## Black History Month February 2024

**WHEREAS**, each year, Black History Month is observed in February; and

**WHEREAS**, the origins of Black History Month date back to 1915 when Dr. Carter G. Woodson founded the organization known today as the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and

**WHEREAS**, as we pay tribute to the heroes who championed for their rights for equal protection, education and the right to vote, Americans can draw strength from the story of hard-won progress which not only defines the African American experience but also lies at the heart of our nation as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and President Abraham Lincoln were instrumental in abolition and emancipation, and we should forever remember their work, as well as other parties who have advocated and fought for freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, a new generation of leaders can teach us that when all Americans come together in a common purpose, we can right the wrongs of history; and

**WHEREAS**, freedom can never be taken for granted and must be vigilantly protected by each of us every day.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, Joe Marine, Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim February 2024 as *Black History Month*.



Signed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024

Joe Marine  
Mayor