



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

BLACK HISTORY MONTH **February 2023**

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 2023 as *Black History Month*.

Signed this 6th day of February, 2023

Joe Marine
Mayor

