



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Northglenn City Council takes pride in recognizing February as Black History Month, celebrating the many notable contributions that people of African descent have made to our country; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the diversity of Black people in our community, our nation, and the Black diaspora, whether they self-identify as African, African-American, Afro-Latino, Afro-Caribbean, or Black; and

WHEREAS, we recognize this year's Black History Month theme of "Black Health and Wellness", focusing on how American healthcare has often underserved the African American community. We acknowledge that systemic racism has led to African Americans being more likely to die at an early age from all causes and be impacted by health care inequities that have traumatized the Black community; and

WHEREAS, we now celebrate Black health and wellness, including the legacy of Black scholars, midwives, nurses, doctors, and practitioners of not only Western medicine, but all other indigenous ways of promoting health and healing; and

WHEREAS, we uplift our community leaders, Black business owners, professionals and others who promote wellbeing and knowledge throughout the many facets of the Black community and our whole inclusive community; and

WHEREAS, each Black individual has a unique mind, body, and soul, which deserves to be healthy, well, and treated with respect and empathy. The observance of Black History Month calls our attention to the continued need to battle racism and build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals; and


WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn celebrates diversity, is committed to advancing racial justice and equity, and is proud to honor the history and contributions of African Americans today, tomorrow, and every day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim February 2022 as

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

in the City of Northglenn and ask all community members, public officials, and educators to discover, teach, appreciate, and commemorate the history of African Americans during this month of celebration and beyond.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 14th day of February 2022.


MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

