

City of Petaluma

Proclamation

BLACK HISTORY MONTH – FEBRUARY 2021

WHEREAS, Petaluma Blacks for Community Development was established in 1978 by a group of concerned Black residents to acquaint the community with Black culture and history; to provide support for new Black families moving into the area; and to ensure that the Black community became a positive part of the larger Petaluma community; and

WHEREAS, Petaluma Blacks for Community Development, in keeping with their goals and objectives, have continuously provided a venue for sharing with the community through an annual Black History Program, museum exhibits and individual members' involvement in various community organizations and activities. The group has continued to provide support for Black families through social gatherings and reaching out to each other; and

WHEREAS, Petaluma Blacks for Community Development has continuously supported our youth by making them active participants in the organization; encouraging them in their involvement in school and community activities; and teaching them to value our history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Teresa Barrett, Mayor of Petaluma, along with members of the Petaluma City Council, do hereby acknowledge February 2021 as Black History Month and commend Petaluma Blacks for Community Development in their effort to support the community at large and to provide our City with Black cultural activities and an awareness of Black heritage.