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PROCLAMATION
Celebrating February as Black History Month 2025

WHEREAS, during Black History Month we honor the extraordinary contributions made by African Americans through the history of our Republic, and we renew our commitment to liberty and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, during Black History Month we recognize the achievements of African Americans and their role in shaping history along with the contributions that African Americans have made to enhance the economic, cultural, spiritual and political development of our Country; and

WHEREAS, during Black History month we recognize the essential role of African Americans in shaping the story of America and honor their courage and contributions; and

WHEREAS, the omission of much of the history and contributions of African Americans from textbooks and other literature has impeded awareness and appreciation; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of Black History Month is a positive way of recognizing the culture and history of African Americans as vital to the core beliefs and values of this society; and

WHEREAS, observing Black History Month provides opportunities to gain a deeper understanding of African American history and acknowledge the centuries of struggles for equality and freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE LINCOLNTON CITY COUNCIL does hereby proclaim and declare the month of February as "Black History Month" in Lincolnton, North Carolina, and further encourages all citizens to observe the month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Adopted on this 6th day of February, 2025.

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Ed Hatley, Mayor
Lincolnton City Council

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Daphne Ingram, City Clerk