



## Monterey County

### Board Order

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#### Resolution No.: 16-012

Upon motion of Supervisor Armenta, seconded by Supervisor Potter and carried by those members present, the Board of Supervisors hereby:

Adopted Resolution proclaiming February 2016 as "African American History Month" in Monterey County. (Full Board)

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 2<sup>th</sup> day of February 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Armenta, Phillips, Salinas, Parker and Potter

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 78 for the meeting on February 2, 2016.

Dated: February 3, 2016  
File ID: CR 16-006

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

By Denise Hancock  
Deputy

*Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the  
County of Monterey, State of California*

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Resolution proclaiming February 2016 as “**African American History Month**” in Monterey County.....)

**WHEREAS**, during Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual and political development; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1915, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, noted Black scholar and son of former slaves, founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, which was later renamed the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH); and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Woodson initiated Black History Week, February 12, 1926; and for many years, the second week of February, chosen so as to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated by African Americans in the United States, and

**WHEREAS**, in 1976, as part of the nation’s bicentennial, Black History Week was expanded and became established as Black History Month, and is now celebrated all over North America; and

**WHEREAS**, Hallowed Grounds: Sites of African American Memories is the national theme for **African American History Month**, which is observed in Monterey County to encourage all citizens to learn about and appreciate the African American story; and

**WHEREAS**, the Association for the Study of African American Life & History has selected this annual theme to bring attention to the centennial celebration of the National Park Service and the more than twenty-five sites and the Underground Railroad Network to Freedom that are part of America’s hallowed grounds, including the home of the father of black history, Dr. Carter G. Woodson; and

**WHEREAS**, while the observance of Black History Month calls our Nation’s attention to the continued need to battle racism and to build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey does hereby proclaim the month of February 2016 as “**African American History Month**” in Monterey County.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** upon motion of Supervisor Salinas, seconded by Supervisor Armenta and carried this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisor Armenta, Phillips, Salinas, Potter and Parker

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

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