



Black History Month

WHEREAS, the Lake County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will celebrate a combination of Black History Month and Martin Luther King’s Birthday, as we reflect on the proud legacy of courage and dedication from visionary leaders like Martin Luther King, Jr., Roy Wilkins, Rosa Parks, and Ketanji B. Jackson, and local community leaders like Sara Wright, Sarah Anzano, Kenneth Bagby, Sr., Greta Zeit, Bessie Bell, and Lynette Kirkwood. The NAACP has been at the forefront of protecting our fragile Democracy which is under assault: voting rights of people of color, and refusal to enforce the American with Disabilities Act, LGBTQ discrimination, women’s right to choose, voter suppression, gerrymandering, and urging the passing of the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act which will ensure the protection of civil and voting rights under the Unites States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the NAACP history is one of dedication and struggle to maintain equality and justice for all citizens of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the local branch, like other NAACP branches throughout the state and country, diligently work on social programs aimed toward the elimination of banning books, rewriting of our vast contributions to this great nation, eliminating racial hatred, bigotry, and poverty; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Branch of the NAACP is led by Rick Mayo, President and 1982 founder of the Lake County Branch.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED the City of Clearlake encourages all citizens to join in celebrating the diversity and character of our community and highlighting the importance of sharing our culture, customs and traditions with those around us.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2024

David Claffey, Mayor