



# CITY OF DEL REY OAKS

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## PROCLAMATION

### **Honoring Black History Month February 2024**

WHEREAS, the city of Del Rey Oaks is committed to diversity, equity, inclusion and mutual respect as a fundamental aspect of a healthy, thriving community; and

WHEREAS, In 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, Black History Month was formally adopted to honor and affirm the importance of African American History throughout our American experience, and serves to promote cultural enrichment, ethnic pride, and self-esteem; and

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, Black History Month is a time for all Americans to remember the stories and teachings of those who helped build our nation, took a stance against prejudice to build lives of dignity and opportunity, advanced the cause of civil rights and strengthened families and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Black community has been the target of discrimination and violence based on identity, which conflicts with our core values as a community; and

WHEREAS, The observance of Black History Month calls our Nation's attention to the continued need to battle racism and look to the future to continue to improve society so that we live up to the ideals of freedom, equality and justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Scott Donaldson, do hereby proclaim February 2024 as Black History Month. I urge all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful and prosperous for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of February, 2024.

Signed

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Scott Donaldson, Mayor