



TOWN COMMISSION MEETING

February 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

PROCLAMATION, 2023 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

SUBJECT:

Upon approval of the Town Commission, the Town will recognize Black History Month in February 2023.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

FEBRUARY 2023 – BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of blacks in U.S. history. The event grew out of “Negro History Week,” the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating black history.

President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month in 1976, calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”

The proclamation will be received by Dr. Shirley White-Campbell DNP. Dr. Shirley White-Campbell is an entrepreneur, philanthropist, and motivator. She serves the community as a servant leader, counselor, mentor and Pastor. She is married to Reverend S. Campbell who assists her in pastoring the Pentecostal City Mission Church in Dundee. She is a proud mother of their three beautiful daughters and two wonderful grandchildren.

Dr. White-Campbell worked in various areas of the healthcare field for over thirty-five years helping people change their lives for the better. She is the founder of the FTHCTN Extended Hands Community Outreach Ministry and Universal Tele-Health & Wellness Medical

Center-IV Hydration Spa, and Weight Loss Clinic. Dr. White-Campbell earned her Associate's and Bachelor's Degrees at Polk State College and her Master's and Doctoral Nurse Practitioner Degrees from South University in Savannah, Georgia with an emphasis on "The Effect of Educational Intervention on early detection of Breast Cancer in African-American women".

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Support

ATTACHMENTS: 2023 Black History Month Proclamation