



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 18, 2024, AT 7:30 PM

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ITEM TITLE: PROCLAMATION – Juneteenth – (Administration)

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION:

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND PRESENTATIONS	YES	Department: ADMINISTRATION
PUBLIC HEARING 1 ST / 2 ND READING		Exhibits: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Proclamation – Juneteenth
CONSENT AGENDA		
COUNCIL DECISION		
ADMINISTRATIVE		

REQUEST: Request the reading in record of a proclamation that was presented on June 15th during the 1887 Juneteenth Festival in recognition of Juneteenth

SUMMARY: President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, declaring the slaves in Confederate territory free, paving the way for the passing of the 13th Amendment which formally abolished slavery in the United States of America. Word about the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation was delayed some two-and one-half years, to June 19, 1865, in reaching authorities and African Americans in the South and Southwestern United States. June 19th has a special meaning to African Americans and is called "JUNETEENTH" combining the words June and Nineteenth and has been celebrated by the African American community for over 150 years.

The proclamation to be presented on June 15th at the 1887 Juneteenth Festival will be read into record during the Town Council meeting held on June 18, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION: Recommending the reading into record a proclamation recognizing Juneteenth.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A