



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP

MAY 2, 2023 AT 06:30 PM

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ITEM TITLE: Presentation for the Juneteenth Celebration 2023 (Councilwoman Randolph)

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION:

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| PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND PRESENTATIONS | YES | Department: LEGISLATIVE |
| INTRODUCTIONS | | Exhibits: N/A |
| CONSENT AGENDA | | |
| COUNCIL DISCUSSION | | |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | | |

REQUEST: To Hear Presentation for the Juneteenth Celebration 2023 scheduled for Monday, June 19, 2023, "Discovering Our Roots."

SUMMARY: As in 2022, The Historic Town of Eatonville wishes to celebrate and observe Juneteenth on Monday, June 19, 2023. Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration marking the end of slavery in the United States also known as "Freedom Day." On January 1, 1863, the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by the U.S. President Abraham Lincoln granted freedom to "all persons as slaves."

It was not until the day of June 19, 1865, Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Texas more than 155 years ago to inform slaves that slavery had been abolished.

The Freedom Celebration Committee wishes to have a celebration program at the Life Center Church, 63 East Kennedy Blvd, Eatonville, Florida 32751 at 6:00 p.m. This will be an educational and heritage event to the people in the community including families, seniors, and children in the Town of Eatonville and other communities are invited to attend.

COMMITTEE: Wanda Randolph, Clarice Hopkins, Valerie Chambers, Marquita "Shawn" Etienne

RECOMMENDATION: The Freedom Celebration Committee request that the Historic Town of Eatonville Town Council Hear Presentation for the Juneteenth Celebration 2023 scheduled for Monday, June 19, 2023, "Discovering Our Roots."

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A