

WHEREAS Black Americans have shaped virtually every aspect of public life, and their contributions have helped build the nation we know and love; and

WHEREAS Black leaders have served the greater good at every level of government and in every branch – from the halls of Congress to the seats of the Supreme Court and the presidency of the United States; and

WHEREAS Black History Month provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of African Americans past and present; and

WHEREAS Black History Month affords special opportunity to become more knowledgeable about black heritage, and to honor the many black leaders who have contributed to the progress of our nation; and

WHEREAS such knowledge can strengthen the insight of all our citizens regarding the issues of human rights, the great strides that have been made in the crusade to eliminate the barriers of equality for minority groups, and the continuing struggle against racial discrimination; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Wil Kennedy, Mayor of Iowa Colony, Texas, do hereby declare the month of February 2024 as "BLACK HISTORY MONTH" in Iowa Colony, Texas, and urge our citizens to learn more about Black history, to celebrate the many accomplishments of Black Americans, and to recommit to the values of tolerance and equality for all people.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, to be affixed this 12th day of February 2024.

Wil Kennedy, Mayor	