

**RESOLUTION NO. 1847**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAKE FOREST PARK DECLARING JUNETEENTH, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>, A CITY HOLIDAY IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE DAY AFRICAN AMERICAN SLAVES LEARNED OF THEIR FREEDOM**

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**WHEREAS**, on June 19, 1865, two and one-half years after President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation and two months after the end of the Civil War, news finally reached Galveston, Texas, that the Civil War had ended and that all enslaved persons were now released from the bondage of slavery; and

**WHEREAS**, slavery has left a catastrophic and unrelenting legacy of trauma for generations of Black/African Americans; costing Black/African Americans life, liberty, and prosperity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and Mayor of Lake Forest Park declare that the end of this atrocity should be acknowledged and celebrated by the City of Lake Forest Park as Juneteenth, and encourage that June 19<sup>TH</sup> be a day to revisit solidarity and commitment to antiracism; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that in celebration of Juneteenth, June 19<sup>th</sup> will be recognized as a City holiday, the City will be closed, and employees will receive their regular earnings for the day.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park, as follows:

Section 1. AMENDING EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK. In recognition of Juneteenth as a City holiday, the attached Exhibit A amends the City of Lake Forest Park Employee Handbook, Policy and Procedures Manual version 1.5.

Section 2. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto

**PASSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE** of the members of the Lake Forest Park City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

APPROVED:

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Jeff Johnson  
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Matt McLean  
City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: June 3, 2022  
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:  
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