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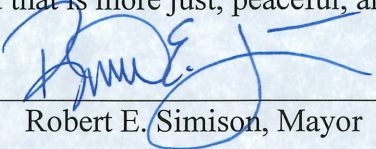
PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** During Black History Month, we honor and celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual, and political development; and,
- WHEREAS,** Black History Month grew out of the establishment, in 1926, of Negro History Week by Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and,
- WHEREAS,** the 2021 national theme for the observance is "The Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity", and,
- WHEREAS,** the observance of Black History Month calls our attention as a community to the need to have a society that stands up in support of the lives of all of its citizens and live up to our democratic ideals; and,
- WHEREAS,** we are all able to live better lives and have a brighter future thanks to the contributions that have been made of African Americans in our community, state and nation.
- THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim February 2021 as

Black History Month

in the City of Meridian and encourage the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to learn more about and celebrate the diverse heritage and culture of African Americans, and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all.

Dated this 9th day of February, 2021


Robert E. Simison, Mayor



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