

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH
OF FEBRUARY, 2025, AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN
THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, since its origin in 1926 by the "Father of Black History", Dr. Carter G. Woodson, in his pursuit to raise awareness of African Americans' contributions to civilization, Black History Week began and evolved into Black History Month; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, 2025's national theme, "African Americans and Labor", focuses on the various and profound ways that work and working of all kinds intersect with the collective experiences of Black people and is at the center of Black history and culture; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City continues to be a principal advocate to offer the total community of Oklahoma with systems that provide opportunities for workforce and career development for over 75 years; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the Alliance of Black Employees, a City of Norman Employee Resource Group, established in 2021, also provides support and representation to the Black community in Norman, while providing non-Black communities an opportunity to learn the Black experience to better understand diverse perspectives; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the Norman Human Rights Commission continues to work to dispel prejudice and discrimination, and to advance fairness, mutual understanding, and appreciation for the worth of all people.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 6. Do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2025, as Black History Month in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating the diversity and character of our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of January, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

