

Proclamation

DECLARING FEBRUARY 2024 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, in 1976, Black History Month was formally adopted to honor and affirm the importance of Black history throughout our American experience, which dates thousands of years and includes some of the greatest, most advanced, and innovative societies that we can all draw inspiration from; and

WHEREAS, since 1976, every American president has designated February as Black History Month and endorsed a specific theme; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Black History Month 2024 focuses on African Americans and the; and

WHEREAS, because of their determination, hard work, and perseverance, African Americans have made valuable and lasting contributions to our county and our state, achieving exceptional success in all aspects of society, including business, education, politics, science, athletics and the arts; and

WHEREAS, this observance presents a special opportunity to become more knowledgeable about black heritage and to honor the many black leaders who have played a part in the progress of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, I, JOHNPAUL O’CONNOR, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, DO HEREBY OFFICIALLY PROCLAIM AND RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 2024:

“BLACK HISTORY MONTH”

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF WESTLAKE that this proclamation is duly sealed, ribboned and approved by the members of this Council. The foregoing proclamation was sponsored by Vice Mayor Greg Langowski, and upon unanimous consent of the Council, the Mayor declared the proclamation duly enacted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Westlake, Florida to be affixed this 6th day of February 2024.

JohnPaul O’Connor, Mayor

ATTEST:

Zoie P. Burgess, CMC
City Clerk