

RECOGNITION OF FEBRUARY AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH
February 14, 2024

WHEREAS, the City of South San Francisco's elected officials, city staff and residents are committed to a vision that reflects the cultures of our diverse community; and

WHEREAS, February, we celebrate National Black History Month and this year the theme is African Americans and the Arts - infused with African, Caribbean, and Black American lived experiences and serves as a powerful reminder that Black history is American history, and Black stories are essential to the ongoing story of America; and

WHEREAS, shining a light on Black history today is as important to understanding ourselves and growing stronger as a Nation as it has ever been. That is why it is essential that we take time to celebrate the immeasurable contributions of Black Americans, honor the legacies and achievements of generations past, reckon with centuries of injustice, and confront those injustices that still fester today; and

WHEREAS, today, Black Americans lead industries and movements for change, serve our communities and our Nation at every level, and advance every field across the board, including arts and sciences, business and law, health and education, and many more. Black Americans can be seen in every part of our society today, strengthening and uplifting all of America; and

WHEREAS, the City of South San Francisco continues to work toward becoming an inclusive community in which all citizens – past, present, and future – are respected and recognized for their contributions and potential contributions to our community, the state, the country, and the world; and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate National Black History Month, let us all recommit ourselves to continue to fight for the equity, opportunity, and dignity to which every Black American is due in equal measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of South San Francisco does hereby proclaim February as Black History Month and encourages all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all.

James Coleman, Mayor

Eddie Flores, Vice Mayor

Mark Addiego, Councilmember

Mark Nagales, Councilmember

Buenafior Nicolas, Councilmember

Dated: February 14, 2024