

Adelita S. Grijalva, District 5 MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 9, 2022

TO: Melissa Manriquez, Clerk of the Board

FROM: Adelita Grijalva, District Five Supervisor

REGARDING: Item for the February 15, 2022 agenda addendum

Proclamation

Declearing the month of February 2022 to be "Black History Month in Pima County." (District 5)

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Thank you

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1926 Dr. Carter G. Woodson, a Harvard scholar, established the observance and celebration of African American history and since 1976 Black History Month has been recognized nationally in February; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month celebrates the many vital achievements and contributions of African Americans in shaping our country, our society and our culture; and

WHEREAS, the observation of Black History Month provides us an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of African American history and its role in creating modern American democracy; and

WHEREAS, we must acknowledge and pay tribute to the generations of individuals who struggled with great adversity, risked their lives for justice, fought a fight that at times seemed impossible to win, and continue to strive for equity and the American dream; and

WHEREAS, African Americans are engaged throughout our society as our friends and neighbors, scholars, teachers, business operators, community leaders and contributors to the quality of our lives; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Black History Month calls our attention to the continued need to battle racism and build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals; and

WHEREAS, Pima County is proud to honor the history and contributions of African Americans to our community and throughout our state and nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pima County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of February 2022 to be:

"BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN PIMA COUNTY"

and encourages all Pima County residents to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture, and to continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful and prosperous for all.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of February 2022.

The Honorable Sharon Bronson, Chair Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: