

Sammamish, Washington
Proclamation
Black History Month | February 2022



The City of Sammamish remains committed to honoring diversity, equity, inclusion, and mutual respect as the fundamental principles of Black History Month and the core values of our community; and

WHEREAS, Black History Week was initiated February 12, 1926 to highlight the contributions and accomplishments made by the Black community that had been omitted from history; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, Black History Week was expanded and established as Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sammamish is proud to honor the history, contributions, and achievements of the Black community locally, nationally, and globally; and

WHEREAS, the contribution and presence of the Black community is recognized as enhancing the quality of life in the City of Sammamish; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month calls our community to take pause to reflect on the past injustices inflicted on the Black community, and to pay tribute to the battles fought in the name of equality; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month calls our community's attention to modern-day racism, biases, and prejudices that negatively impact the livelihood of the Black community; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month is a time for our community to look to the future to ensure inclusiveness and equality for all; and

WHEREAS, the national theme for Black History Month in 2022 is Black Health and Wellness and takes a look at how American healthcare can better serve the Black community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Sammamish will dedicate the month of February to offering Black History informational resources on the City's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion web page; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Christie Malchow, on behalf of the Sammamish City Council, do hereby proclaim February 2022 as Black History Month.

Mayor Christie Malchow

January 18, 2022
Date

