



City of New Carrollton Proclamation JUNETEENTH

WHEREAS, the first enslaved Africans were brought as captives to what is now the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1619; and

WHEREAS, Black people were brought and sold as slave labor for 250 years and suffered unspeakable acts of violence; and

WHEREAS, President Abraham Lincoln first issued the Emancipation Proclamation effective January 1, 1863, freeing the enslaved people in the South. However, southern slave owners ignored that order. On June 19, 1865, Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas and enforced the president's order, freeing the enslaved two and half years after it was first decreed. This day has since come to be known as Juneteenth; and

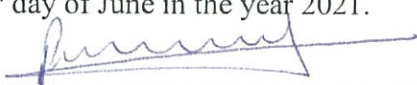
WHEREAS, Juneteenth is recognized as the end of chattel slavery in the United States and the liberation from the greatest robbery of black wealth in our country's history; and

WHEREAS, other systems of oppression, such as sharecropping, Jim Crow, redlining, and mass incarceration, and the police violence against Black bodies continued throughout our Country's history and perpetuated the racist legal and social systems that persist to this day; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council recognizes the history of racism in our country and how it has led to many current-day disparities in education and job attainment, housing, and healthcare, as well as disproportionate incarceration rates for Black people; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **PROCLAIMED** that I, Phelecia Nembhard, Mayor of the City of New Carrollton, on behalf of the Council, residents and staff, proclaim June 19th as Juneteenth to acknowledge the historical significance of the day and recommit the City to working towards the dismantling of institutionalized racism.

Dated this 4th day of June in the year 2021.



Phelecia Nembhard, Mayor, City of New Carrollton



City of New Carrollton Proclamation LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, in June of 1969, patrons and supporters of the Stonewall Inn in New York City staged an uprising to resist the police harassment and persecution to which LGBTQ+ Americans were commonly subjected. The uprising marks the beginning of a movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices against LGBTQ+ in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the first Pride march in New York City was held on June 28, 1970, on the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising; and

WHEREAS, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month is celebrated each year in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, June 2020 marked the 50th anniversary of annual LGBTQ+ Pride traditions; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month is a time to recognize and celebrate the impact of LGBTQ+ individuals locally, nationally, and internationally, and the freedom to be themselves; and

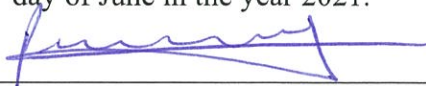
WHEREAS, events include Pride parades, picnics, parties, workshops, symposia, concerts, and more and attract millions of participants around the world, and memorials are held for those members of the community who have been lost to hate crimes or HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Carrollton is a welcoming city that is dedicated to fostering acceptance and welcome of all residents and preventing discrimination and bullying; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Carrollton is strengthened by and thrives upon the rich diversity of racial, ethnic, cultural, general, and sexual identities of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **PROCLAIMED** that I, Phelecia Nembhard, Mayor of the City of New Carrollton, on behalf of the Council, residents and staff, proclaim June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

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