



Waynesboro City Council Agenda Briefing

Meeting Date:	January 24, 2022	Staff/Council Member(s): Clerk of Council, Julia Bortle
Agenda Item #	7	
Proclamation #		
Department:	City Manager's Office	
Subject:	Black History Month Proclamation	

Background: Black History Month is celebrated annually to recognize the accomplishments of African Americans and the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. Since 1976, every U.S. President has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month, calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of African Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” The theme for Black History Month 2022 is “Black Health and Wellness.” The celebration seeks to acknowledge the legacy of Black scholars and medical practitioners in Western medicine including physicians, nurses, midwives, naturopaths, herbalists etc. The celebration highlights the importance of emotional and mental health as well as physical wellness.

City Manager's Recommendation: Adopt the proclamation naming February 2022 as Black History Month in the City of Waynesboro.

Suggested Motion(s): Move to adopt the proclamation naming February 2022 as Black History Month in Waynesboro, VA.

Attachments:

Proclamation