

RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH
February 4, 2026

***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 “A Century of Black History Commemorations,” marking the 100th anniversary of the celebration initiated by Dr. Carter G. Woodson in 1926. President Gerald R. Ford officially recognized February as Black History Month in 1976, and since then, every president Republican and Democrat alike, has recognized the importance of this observance; and*

***WHEREAS**, this milestone theme emphasizes the 100-year impact of Black history on American culture, focusing on the themes of memory, momentum, and the preservation of Black history, and 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.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of South San Francisco does hereby proclaim February as Black History Month, will proudly fly the Black Lives Matter flag at City Hall, and encourages all citizens to celebrate this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.*

Mark Addiego, Mayor

Mark Nagales, Vice Mayor

James Coleman, Councilmember

Eddie Flores, Councilmember

Buenafior Nicolas, Councilmember