

**CITY OF PALM BEACH GARDENS  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, during Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual, and political development; and*

*WHEREAS, Black History Month grew out of the establishment, in 1926, of Negro History Week by Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and*

*WHEREAS, the 2022 national theme for the observance is “Black Health and Wellness;” and acknowledges the legacy of not only Black scholars and medical practitioners in Western medicine, but also other ways in which the Black community have contributed to healthcare throughout the African Diaspora; and*

*WHEREAS, the 2022 theme considers activities, rituals and initiatives that Black communities have practiced in an effort to maintain health and wellbeing; 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, the City of Palm Beach Gardens 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; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Palm Beach Gardens is proud to honor the history and contributions of African Americans in our community, throughout our state, and nation.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of African Americans – past and present – in our community, I, Rachelle A. Litt, Mayor of the City of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, do hereby proclaim February 2022 as*

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

*I encourage all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, to be affixed on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.*

Attest:

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Rachelle A. Litt, Mayor

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Patricia Snider, CMC, City Clerk