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### **February is Black History Month**

Since 1976, every American President has designated February as Black History Month and endorsed a specific theme. The 2021 theme is “Black Family, Representation, Identity and Diversity”.

### **Did you know?**

A North Carolina native helped develop the Moderna vaccine. Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, was raised in Hillsborough, North Carolina; attended Orange High School; and graduated from UNC, Chapel Hill. The Hillsborough Board of Commissioners declared January 12, 2021 as Dr Kizzmekia Corbett Day. Corbett’s research has been focused on the development of vaccines for SARS and MERS. Corbett and her team at the National Institutes for Health partnered with Moderna as part of Operation Warp Speed to develop a vaccine for COVID-19. Dr Corbett stated that she was honored to be recognized by her hometown for her work toward a COVID-19 vaccine. Dr Corbett urges everyone to get the vaccine as soon as possible.