

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS

## Resolution in Recognition of Black History Month

WHEREAS, Black Americans have made and continue to make significant and historic contributions to U.S. history; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Declaration of Independence states “all men are created equal”; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has proclaimed February National Black History Month as a celebration and reminder of Black Americans’ contributions to the story of America; and

WHEREAS, the current social and political atmosphere of our country informs us of the need to continue the fight for equity, opportunity, and dignity for every Black American; and

WHEREAS, Black Americans continue to rise in spirit and accomplishment despite the shadows and struggles of slavery, Jim Crow laws, and continued systemic racism; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the elected officials of Harper Woods pledge to work together to develop, identify, and put forth solutions to achieving equity and equality for all, and unity in Harper Woods and surrounding communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Valerie Kindle, and Harper Woods City Council members, proclaim February 2022 as Black History Month in the City of Harper Woods.