

*A Resolution of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida,
Proclaiming the month of February 2018 as
"African American History Month"*

KNOW ALL CITIZENS BY THESE PRESENTS that the Volusia County School Board, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereby recognizes February as African American History Month.

WHEREAS, in 1926 Carter G. Woodson proposed the idea of Negro History Week to occur the second week of February so it would coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. In 1976, as a part of the U.S. Bicentennial Celebration, Negro History Week was officially recognized and changed to Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, African Americans have made important contributions to the cultural fabric of this country while achieving significant recognition in American literature, science, music, arts, movies, culture and political leadership; and

WHEREAS, Volusia County Schools serves approximately 10,000 African American students, 16 percent of student enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the quality of life in the School District of Volusia County is enhanced by the richness and beauty of African American history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN OFFICIAL SESSION, DULY ASSEMBLED IN DELAND, FLORIDA, THIS 23rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2018, AS FOLLOWS:

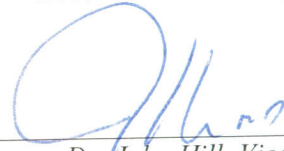
Section 1. The School Board of Volusia County recognizes February as African American Month; and

Section 2. That a copy of this Proclamation be spread upon the official minutes of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida, distributed to all public schools and appropriate governmental bodies in Volusia County, Florida.

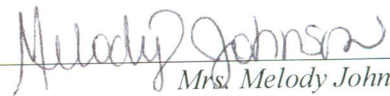
***PROCLAIMED THIS 23rd DAY OF JANUARY, 2018
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY***



Mrs. Linda Cuthbert, Chairman



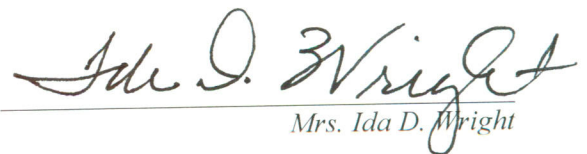
Dr. John Hill, Vice Chairman



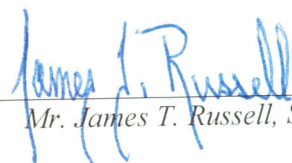
Mrs. Melody Johnson



Mr. Carl G. Persis



Mrs. Ida D. Wright



Mr. James T. Russell, Superintendent