

*A Resolution of the School Board of Volusia County, Florida,  
Proclaiming the month of February 2020 as  
"African American History Month" for the School District of Volusia County*

*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;*

*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 27th DAY OF JANUARY, 2020, 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 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2020  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF VOLUSIA COUNTY**

  
Mrs. Ida D. Wright, Chairman

  
Mrs. Linda Cuthbert, Vice Chairman

  
Mr. Carl G. Persis

  
Mr. Ruben Colón

  
Ms. Jamie M. Haynes

  
Dr. Ronald Scott Fritz, Superintendent