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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING)	
THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 1,	RESOLUTION AND ORDER
THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2024)	
TO BE BLACK HISTORY MONTH	

WHEREAS, the terms Black or African American refer to individuals with African ancestry who were born in, or immigrated to the United States; and

WHEREAS, Black people began arriving in what is today Clatsop County as part of the earliest arrivals of non-Indigenous peoples, including York of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in 1805 and members of John Jacob Astor's party in 1811;

WHEREAS, Black people have been continuous members of Clatsop County's business, military, and cultural communities for over 175 years; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month is a national celebration of the contributions and cultural heritage of people of African descent in every part of the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Clatsop County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024 as

"BLACK HISTORY MONTH"

in Clatsop County and invites all community members, businesses and local agencies to join in this month of observance and celebration honoring the history and contributions of people of African descent.

DATED this 14th day of February, 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

Mark Kujake
Board Chair