

Proclamation

WHEREAS: February 1–28, 2026, is recognized nationwide as Black History Month, a time to honor and celebrate the rich history, culture, and enduring contributions of African Americans to the United States; and

WHEREAS: African Americans have played a vital role in shaping the social, cultural, economic, scientific, and political foundations of our nation, often in the face of profound adversity and systemic barriers; and

WHEREAS: Black History Month provides an opportunity to reflect upon the struggles for freedom, equality, and justice that have advanced civil rights and strengthened our democracy for all people; and

WHEREAS: the achievements and leadership of African Americans in education, business, the arts, public service, science, health care, and community advocacy continue to enrich communities across the nation, including here in Scottsdale; and

WHEREAS: recognizing Black history fosters greater understanding, respect, and unity by encouraging dialogue, education, and appreciation of diverse perspectives and lived experiences; and

WHEREAS: the City of Scottsdale is committed to promoting inclusion, equity, and mutual respect, and to celebrating the diversity that strengthens our community and enhances our shared future;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lisa Borowsky, Mayor of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 1–28, 2026, as

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

in the City of Scottsdale and urge all residents to observe this month through appropriate programs, educational opportunities, and activities that honor the legacy, achievements, and contributions of African Americans, and to recommit to the values of equality, opportunity, and respect for all.

In Witness Whereof, I have here unto set my hand and caused to be affixed to the Seal of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona.



Lisa Borowsky, Mayor of Scottsdale



Ben Lane, City Clerk

