

Meeting Date
02/07/17



AGENDA	
Section	Resolution
Item No.	<i>I.B.</i>

AGENDA REPORT
BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT:	Resolution Recognizing February 2017 as Black History Month in Brevard County
DEPT/OFFICE:	County Commissioner Curt Smith, District 4

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution recognizing February 2017, as Black History Month in Brevard County.

Summary Explanation & Background:

A Black History Month Celebration including keynote speaker, Dr. Desmond Blackburn, artwork displays, music, dance and food trucks event is planned to take place at the Viera Government Center, Building C, first floor Chambers and the west entrance area of Building C on **Friday, February 10, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Accepting Resolutions:
Mrs. Walter Butler
Rashad Wilson

Clerk to the Board instruction: Need 2 framed resolutions for presentation on 2/7/17.

Exhibits Attached: Resolution

Contract /Agreement (If attached):	Reviewed by County Attorney	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	PR	<input type="checkbox"/>
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February 8, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Curt Smith, District 4 Attn: Molly Tice

RE: Item I.B., Resolution Proclaiming February 2017 as Black History Month in Brevard County

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on February 7, 2017, adopted Resolution No. 17-010, recognizing February 2017 as Black History Month in Brevard County. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Brevard County Commission acknowledges that the crisis in black education first began in the days of slavery when it was unlawful for slaves to learn to read and write, and whether by laws, policies, or practices, racially separated schools remained the norm in America from the late nineteenth century well into our own time, and the touted benefits of education remain elusive to many blacks of all ages, yet, African American history is rich in centuries-old efforts of resistance to this crisis such as:

- the slaves' surreptitious endeavors to learn;
- the rise of black colleges and universities after the Civil War;
- the freedom schools of the 1960's;
- local community-based academic and mentorship programs that inspire a love of learning and thirst for achievement.

WHEREAS, the Brevard County Commission recognizes the importance of addressing the crisis in black education as one of the most important goals in America's past, present, and future; and

WHEREAS, the Brevard County Commission would like to dedicate this year's resolution to Mr. Walter Butler a leader and pioneer in the Sharpes Community here in Brevard County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby recognize the month of February 2017 as

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

and urges the citizens of this County to be mindful of the contributions of African Americans, and of its citizens throughout the year.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 7th day of February, 2017.

ATTEST:

Scott Ellis

SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Curt Smith

CURT SMITH, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

