

EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 20, 2019

**RESOLUTION TO PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 2019 AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH
IN EATON COUNTY**

Introduced by Commissioner Terrance Augustine

Commissioner Augustine moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha.

WHEREAS, the original celebration of Black History Month, also known as African American Heritage Month, began in 1926 through the efforts of Dr. Carter G. Woodson; and,

WHEREAS, black Americans have a rich heritage and Black History Month is an opportunity to reflect on and commemorate the countless accomplishments and contributions of black Americans throughout the history of this country; and,

WHEREAS, black Americans have made and continue to make breakthroughs in areas from medicine, education, and public service to music, art, and human rights, moving our state forward and helping to fulfill Michigan's tremendous potential; and,

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Black Migrations," emphasizes the movement of people of African descent to new destinations and subsequently to new social realities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 2019 as Black History Month in Eaton County. Carried.