## Proclamation City of Laguna Woods African American History Month February 2024

WHEREAS, African Americans have played a critical role in the social, economic, and political development of the United States; and

WHEREAS, African Americans have a proud legacy of service and dedication to our community, state, and country; and

WHEREAS, African American History Month is a time for all Americans to remember the stories and teachings of African Americans who have helped to combat prejudice, further the cause of civil rights, and build, serve, and enrich our nation; and

WHEREAS, the Laguna Woods African American Heritage Club provides residents with opportunities to celebrate and recognize African American culture through social, educational, and historical events unique to African American life; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laguna Woods is committed to embracing diversity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Laguna Woods City Council does hereby proclaim February 2024 as "African American History Month" in the City of Laguna Woods and encourages reflection on the contributions that African Americans have made and continue to make, both locally and throughout our nation.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2024

Noel Hatch Mayor Attest: Yolie Trippy City Clerk