WOODBURY COUNTY, IOWA

RESOLUTION NO. 13, 133

PROCLAMATIONBlack History Month

WHEREAS, in 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, a Harvard Scholar, established the observance of African American History, with the desire to reveal the contributions, achievements, and involvement of African American people of our country that for years had been omitted; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, Black History Week was expanded and became established as Black History Month, and is now celebrated all over North America; and

WHEREAS, we must acknowledge and pay tribute to the generations of our citizens who struggled with adversity, risked their lives for justice, fought a fight that at times seemed impossible to win, and who continue to fight for equality and the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, the African American Community has persevered through decades of struggle to be recognized as equal among our fellow citizens as we are all entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, the month of February gives us a chance to honor the many heroes who are unknown and unnamed, and who have contributed throughout our nation's history in the name of equality; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County urges all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue the efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful, and prosperous for all; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim February 2021 as Black History Month.

Rocky L. De Witt, Chairman

Matthew A. Ung, Member

Keith W. Radig, Member

Justin D. Wright Membe

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Mark A. Monson, Member

Attest: Patrick F. Gill, Woodbury County Auditor