PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, African-American History Month is an opportunity for us to recognize and celebrate the proud history and invaluable contributions of the African-American community; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Olathe and the State of Kansas are privileged to have been influenced by African Americans in education, science, art, culture, public service and economic development; and
- WHEREAS, African Americans are a proud part of our community today and a vital key to our future; and
- **WHEREAS,** the City of Olathe is pleased to promote African-American History Month and extend a message of cultural awareness and unity; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Olathe, the Olathe Human Relations Commission, and residents are dedicated to fostering an environment appreciative and inclusive of all our neighbors in shaping the history and direction of our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Copeland, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2019, as

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in Olathe, calling upon all residents to honor and celebrate the rich culture, heritage, and many significant contributions of African-American people to our community and our nation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed this fifh day of February 2019.