

Juneteenth

For Immediate Release

Media Contact: 954-392-2076

City of Pembroke Pines Passes Ordinance Celebrating Juneteenth

Pembroke Pines, Florida (January 27, 2021) – At the January Commission Meeting, the City of Pembroke Pines passed an ordinance that makes Juneteenth an official City holiday beginning this year. Juneteenth marks June 19, 1865 as the date enslaved individuals in Galveston, TX learned they were free more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863.


“Juneteenth is a meaningful moment in history for the African American community and I’m very proud that our City is taking the necessary steps to recognize the significance of this day. It is important to afford opportunities for all employees and residents to celebrate freedom and equal rights,” said Commissioner Tom Good, who brought the item forward that was approved by the Mayor and Commissioners in a unanimous passing vote.


As part of the City of Pembroke Pines Code of Ordinances, Juneteenth will be a day of celebration in the city and a paid city holiday.

According to Juneteenth.com, Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. For more information, please visit www.juneteenth.com.

#

 Share on Facebook

 Share on Twitter

 Share via Email

Copyright © 2016 City of Pembroke Pines. All Rights Reserved.
City Hall 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025

