

# Proclamation



**WHEREAS:** February has been designated as Black History Month and will be observed and celebrated in our community; and

**WHEREAS:** this observance increases our awareness and knowledge of Black History and honors the many leaders and their contributions to our nation; and

**WHEREAS:** since 1976, every American President has proclaimed February as Black History Month; and

**WHEREAS:** this month-long celebration provides us with an opportunity to promote a spirit of unity and embrace the diversity that has strengthened our nation; and

**WHEREAS:** the National Theme for the celebration of Black History Month in the year 2018 is ***“African Americans in Times of War,”*** and commemorates the centennial of the end of the First World War in 1918, and explores the complex meaning of this international struggle and its aftermath; and

**WHEREAS:** on the 89<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s birth, let us reflect on his words and vision, and consider what each of us can do today to help keep his dream alive.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, on behalf of the City Commission and residents, do hereby proclaim February 2018 as:

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**Done, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.**

LAMAR FISHER  
MAYOR