

RESOLUTION R061-2021

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY**

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING FEBRUARY 2021 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, during Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual and political development; and

WHEREAS, in 1915, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, noted Black scholar and son of former slaves, founded the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Woodson initiated Black History Week, February 12, 1926: and for many years, the second week in February, chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Fredrick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated by African Americans in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, President Gerald Ford issued the first African American History Month proclamation seizing the opportunity to honor the often-neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our nation's history; and

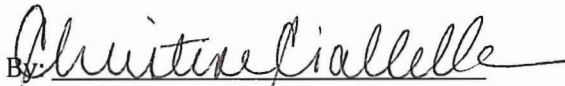
WHEREAS, the observance of Black History Month calls our Nation's attention to the continued need to battle racism and to build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, that February 2021 is Black History Month in the Township of Washington and we urge all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful and prosperous for all.

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

By: 
Sean Longfellow, Council President

I, Christine Ciallella, do certify this to be a true copy of Resolution **R061-2021** adopted by the Township of Washington, Gloucester County, at the regular meeting held on February 10, 2021 and shall take effect immediately.


Christine Ciallella, RMC
Township Clerk

Members	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
DellaPia		X	X				
Williams	X		X				
Bennett			X				
Dougherty			X				
Longfellow			X				