MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUAY 2024 AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE

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 of February, chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated by African Americans in the United States; 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, After the Civil War, many black Americans sought a better life, free from oppression and in search of new economic opportunities, and the liberty to create their own lives; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month is a time where all Americans are encouraged to reflect on past successes and challenges of Black communities and look to the future to ensure freedom, equity, and inclusiveness; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Victor Gonzales, Mayor of the City of Pflugerville, Texas, do hereby proclaim February 2024 as Black History Month in the City of Pflugerville, Texas. I call upon all citizens to celebrate Black History Month, to study the history of African Americans and to honor the national and local legacy of African Americans who have made significant contributions throughout history.

In Witness Thereof, I cause the Official Seal of the City of Pflugerville to be affixed this 13th day of February, 2024.

Victor Gonzales, Mayor	
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Attest:	
Trista Evans City Secretary	