



# Proclamation

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH February 2020**

**Whereas:** Black History Month has been formally celebrated since 1970 in Canada, and in 1995 received official proclamation by the Canadian Government; and

**Whereas:** The aims of Black History Month celebrations are to:

- educate the Canadian public about the realities of Blacks and Black communities across Canada;
- celebrate the successes and achievements of the Black community as part of the Canadian heritage; and
- sensitize the Canadian public to the ongoing issues of racism and discrimination; and

**Whereas:** Today Black History Month is celebrated all across Canada as a grand occasion to learn, to share, and to celebrate this vital part of Canada's diverse history and culture; and

**Whereas:** 2020 marks the twenty-second anniversary of celebrating Black History Month in Prince George.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,

**I proclaim February 2020 as:**

**"Black History Month"**

in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall  
City of Prince George