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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, African-American history is a distinctive and integral part of American history; and

Whereas, African-Americans have made significant contributions to the state of Oklahoma; and

Whereas, the valued heritage of African-Americans has been recognized through observances in Oklahoma and across America each year in February during the last 90 years; and

Whereas, Oklahoma has been home to countless African-American leaders, educators and social justice pioneers, who serve as inspirations to future generations of Oklahomans; and

Whereas, African-Americans continue to enrich the lives of all Oklahomans by sharing their heritage and their legacies;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim February 2016 as

"African American History Month"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 3rd *day of* February, *in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and* sixteen, *and of the State of Oklahoma in the* one hundred and eighth year.

ATTEST:

Chris Benge
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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