

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Black History Month was formally adopted in 1976 to honor and affirm the importance of the achievements Black people have made throughout U.S. history; and

**WHEREAS**, Black people have made valuable and lasting contributions locally, nationally, and globally; achieving exceptional success in all aspects of society including business, education, politics, science, and the arts; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize Black people have been, and continue to be, leaders in the fight against prejudice and racism; advancing the causes of civil rights; and strengthening families and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, our Black community members bear the worst abuses of racism and anti-Blackness, while continuing to give their time, talents, knowledge, and other resources which contribute to vitality of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is committed to building an anti-racist community by working in cooperation with our Black community leaders and partners to dismantle institutional racism through meaningful actions;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Keith Scully, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim February 2023 as

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

in the City of Shoreline and encourage all residents to learn more about the history, contributions, and achievements of Black people past and present.



Keith Scully, Mayor