



Proclamation

Black History Month 2026

Whereas, in 1976, Black History Month was formally adopted to honor and affirm the importance of Black History throughout our American experience, and is full of individuals who took a stance against prejudice, advanced the cause of civil rights, strengthened families, communities, and our nation; and

Whereas, national Black History Month serves as both a celebration and a powerful reminder that Black history is American history, Black culture is American culture, and Black stories are essential to the ongoing story of America — our faults, our struggles, our progress, and our aspirations; and

Whereas, shining a light on Black history today is as important to understanding ourselves and growing stronger as a Nation as it has ever been. That is why it is essential that we take time to celebrate the immeasurable contributions of Black Americans, honor the legacies and achievements of generations past, and confront those injustices that still fester today;

Now, Therefore, I, Rob Saemann, Mayor of the City of Hermosa Beach, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby recognize February as Black History Month. Let us all recommit ourselves to continue the fight for justice, equality and a more diverse, supportive, inclusive, and protective union.

Dated: February 3, 2026



Rob Saemann, Mayor

Keanna Guzman, Interim City Clerk