



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, for many years, February has been observed by an increasing number of Americans of all ethnic and sociological backgrounds as Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, Black Americans have contributed immeasurably to the success of our nation from the days of early colonization to the present; and

WHEREAS, Black Americans have excelled in every facet of life, including education, science, medicine, the arts, politics, and every profession; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina and the City of Greenville boast a rich and progressive history which includes numerous significant contributions made by Black citizens who clearly had in mind and demonstrated the purpose of making our city a better place in which each person can live and develop; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that there is a need for each of us to know and understand our past in order to better prepare for the challenge of our future; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 theme of Black History Month is "Carter G. Woodson and the Origins of Multiculturalism" in honor of both the intellectual and institutional labors of Dr. Woodson, the Founder of Black History Month, and the origins of multiculturalism;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of February 2008 as

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

in Greenville, and commend this observance to our citizens.

This 4th day of February, 2008.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor