Municipality of Shelburne

AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH 2024

WHEREAS February is recognized internationally as African Heritage Month - a time that all Nova Scotian's are encouraged to embrace, recognize, and salute the many contributions and ongoing achievements of people of African Descent all over the world, and here in Shelburne, we celebrate a time of better understanding.

WHEREAS we are in the 10th and final year of the International Decade for People of African Descent, together we acknowledge and understand that when we listen to others' perspectives, interpretation, and views on the world, particularly those from marginalized communities, we will gain a more meaningful understanding on how to make our world a better place.

WHEREAS this year's theme – "Our Smiles, Our Joy, Our Resilience as African Nova Scotians", outlines the spirit of perseverance that people of African Descent have demonstrated over the centuries in our province.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the Municipality of Shelburne, do hereby proclaim the month of February to be African Heritage Month. We celebrate the longstanding history of people of African Decent in the development of Canada. We ENCOURAGE residents, businesses, and community groups to engage in the activities and celebrations, and to take the opportunity to educate yourself and reflect on the story of Nova Scotia's vibrant African Nova Scotian Community.

Dated at Shelburne, Nova Scotia
This 24th day of January, 2024

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Warden Penny Smith