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Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION proclaiming February 1997 as African American History Month and recognizing the efforts of Black Archives of Mid-America, Inc., in promoting events for this celebration.

RESOLUTION #11611, February 18, 1997

INTRODUCED BY Carl Bussey, County Legislator

..Body

WHEREAS, the month of February has traditionally been set aside as African American History Month, with various events and activities taking place throughout the community; and,

WHEREAS, Black Archives of Mid-America, Inc., was founded in 1974 by Horace M. Peterson III for the purpose of collecting, preserving, and presenting to the general public and institutions of learning documents, artifacts, and stories relating to the African American experience in the Kansas City and Midwest area; and,

WHEREAS, Black Archives joins others in the celebration of African American History Month by featuring the exhibition, "Quo Urbis?" (Where are you?), a collection of letters and photographs of Ada Crockman Franklin and Chester A. Franklin; and,

WHEREAS, Chester Franklin founded the Kansas City Call in 1919, inspired by his fiance Ada Crogman and his mother, Clara B. Franklin; and,

WHEREAS, Chester and Ada Franklin successfully dedicated themselves to the task of uplifting the African American race through the arts and the "Negro Press;" and,

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Call is in its 77th year, now under the distinguished leadership of Lucille Bluford and Rubin Benton; and,

WHEREAS, the Quo Urbis collection will be exhibited at Black Archives through the month of May; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby declares February 1997 as African American History Month, and recognizes the efforts of Black Archives of Mid-America, Inc., in promoting events for this celebration.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution # 11611 of February 18, 1997, was duly passed on _____ February 18 _____ 1997 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____ 9 _____ Nays _____ 0 _____

Abstaining _____ 0 _____ Absent _____ 0 _____

Date

Mary Jo Brogato, Clerk of Legislature