

Proclamation

Tarrant County Black Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc.
45th Gala "The Future is Now – Keeping History Relevant"

WHEREAS, The Tarrant County Black Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. is a nonprofit public service organization founded in April 1977 by 21 charter members; and

WHEREAS, their mission is to locate, collect, analyze, organize and preserve African-American historical contributions used to educate, empower and interpret African-American history in Tarrant County; and

WHEREAS, Black Historical and Genealogical Society founder, Lenora Rolla believed that the history of Tarrant County's Black citizens should be recognized during the celebrations; and

WHEREAS, she found that none of the local universities or libraries held any significant material available to the public, while important archival material existed in private collections. Thus, the Society was founded; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through membership go to the upkeep of the Society's facilities, records and to finance activities hosted by the Society; and

WHEREAS, the collection is arranged into 11 individual series with the majority of items consisting of information dating from the last half of the 20th century which has contributed to the developmental heritage and growth of Tarrant County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2022, as Tarrant County Black Historical and Genealogical Society Day in Tarrant County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we congratulate the Society upon the celebration of its 45th Anniversary "The Future is Now – Keeping History Relevant", and we celebrate with them as they honor their founder and charter members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this 22nd day of March 2022.