

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 36**

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WHEREAS, February is recognized, acknowledged, and celebrated as Black History Month across the country; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by Black Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in the history of our state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month was originally established in 1926 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson as a week-long observation, and later expanded to a month-long celebration in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Black Americans have contributed significantly to the cultural, social, economic, and political fabric of our state by navigating historic and systemic inequities to drive progress and innovation; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month provides an opportunity to reflect on the history for racial equity and justice, honor the resilience of Black communities, and commit to creating a more abundant and equitable future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes February 2025 as Black History Month in Nebraska.

2. That the Legislature encourages all people to take time this month to celebrate the history, heritage, and culture of Black Americans and their contributions to the United States of America and Nebraska.