

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE May 7, 2024

NUMBER 250-2024

TITLE:

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE THIRD FRIDAY IN MAY 2024 AS NATIONAL MALCOLM X DAY IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP (Submitted by Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten)

WHEREAS, Malcolm X was a prominent figure in the Civil Rights Movement, advocating for equality, justice, and empowerment for African Americans; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X's teachings and activism have left a lasting impact on the struggle for civil rights and social justice in the United States; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1965, Malcolm X was the most prominent minister at the Nation of Islam mosques Temple No. 11 (Boston), Temple No. 12 (Philadelphia), and Temple No. 7 (New York); and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X lead one of the nations largest civil rights events in 1963 at Unity Rally in Harlem; and

WHEREAS, the NY Times names Malcolm X as the second most sought after speaker in the U.S. in 1963; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, Malcolm X created the Organizations of Afro-American Unity (OAAU) after forming Muslim Mosque, Inc; and

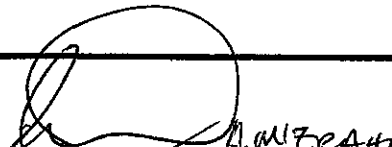
WHEREAS, during the 1960s, Malcolm X gave several interviews, participated in debates, and appeared on television promoting equality among all people; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of commemorating the legacy of Malcolm X and honoring his contributions to the advancement of civil rights and social justice; and

WHEREAS, National Malcolm X Day provides an opportunity for reflection, education, and dialogue on issues related to racial equality, human rights, and social justice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township acknowledges the significance of celebrating National Malcolm X Day as a means to promote understanding, unity, and progress within our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orange Township seeks to foster an environment of inclusivity, diversity, and respect for all individuals regardless of race, ethnicity, or background.



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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the municipal council of the City Council of Orange Township recognizes the third Friday in May 2024 as National Malcolm X Day in the City of Orange Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all residents, community organizations, and educational institutions are encouraged to participate in activities and events that commemorate the life, legacy, and teachings of Malcolm X; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten ask you to join her for a round table discussion regarding racial equality, human rights, and social justice in the City of Orange Township, County of Essex and State of New Jersey during the third week in May 2024.

Adopted: May 7, 2024

Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk

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Council President