## CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. R-2021 \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 148 OF THE 117<sup>TH</sup> UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REQUESTING THE EXONERATION OF MARCUS GARVEY; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Marcus Garvey was the father of the largest African-American movement for human rights and economic self-sufficiency of all time in the history of the United States; and

WHEREAS, leading a movement for economic independence among Black Americans, Marcus Garvey became the target of surveillance and harassment by the United States Government law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Garvey was prosecuted and convicted of Mail fraud, imprisoned, and later deported to Jamaica; and

WHEREAS, the case against Marcus Garvey was politically motivated, the charges unsubstantiated, and his conviction unjust; and

WHEREAS, millions of petitioners have appealed for his exoneration; and WHEREAS, Marcus Garvey is recognized as a national hero in his native Jamaica, and a towering figure in nations around the world; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Garvey's life and contributions to the United States should be recognized and appropriate steps take to restore his name and reputation in this country; and

WHEREAS, the City of Commission of the City of Tamarac supports the exoneration of Marcus Garvey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1: The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2: The City Commission of the City of Tamarac hereby supports the United States House of Representatives Resolution No. 148 expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to Marcus Garvey which calls for Marcus Garvey exoneration.

SECTION 3: The City Commission further directs the City Clerk's Office to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Broward League of Cities, the Florida League of Cities, the United States Congressional Delegation from Florida, Senator Rick Scott, Senator Marco Rubio, the Office of Congressman Alcee Hastings, Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Congressman Ted Deutch, and other interested parties.

SECTION 4: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

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| PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVE                                       | ED this day of,            |
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| 2021.   |                            |
|   | MICHELLE J. GOMEZ<br>MAYOR |
| ATTEST:   |                            |
| JENNIFER JOHNSON, CMC<br>CITY CLERK                               |                            |
| I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have approved this RESOLUTION as to form. |                            |
| HANS OTTINOT CITY ATTORNEY  |                            |