Proclamation

Whereas, the Citywide Juneteenth Event on Historic Greenwood in Tulsa, Oklahoma seeks to honor the freedom established in our nation, our city, and our diverse communities by celebrating the Emancipation Proclamation's final momentous herald to the last known slaves in Galveston, Texas in the year of our Lord 1865, two and a half years after the victorious decree by president Abraham Lincoln; and

Whereas, the legacy of our heritage, our history and the hope of ensuing liberty and equality for all people has been propelled by individuals who, in the words of Jack Roosevelt Robinson, choose to live life not as a "spectator sport," but marched from the grandstands of neutrality in the face of inequity through the advocacy of education, social and economic development, religion and preservation of history; and

Whereas, the Juneteenth Celebration is a time of remembrance of our God given right to continue the pursuit of a quality of life that ensures the impermeable health and well-being of our posterity in a sovereign, and yet developing, nation, city and state that stands for the people and by the people.

Now, Therefore, be it resolved with great pride, the Tulsa City Council honors and recognizes the achievements of

Tedra Williams

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we hereby set our hands on this Fourteenth day of June, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Jack Henderson
Councillor - District 1

Rick Westcott
Councillor - District 2

Roscoe Turner
Councillor - District 3

Marla Barnes
Councillor - District 4

Chris Trail
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John Eagleton
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