

By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an

## Official Statement

WHEREAS, as our nation approaches the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, it is important to recognize that we are a country of diversity held together through the common bond of liberty; and

WHEREAS, preserving and understanding our American Heritage is vital to ensure the continuance of this common bond; and

WHEREAS, it is critical to support American History education in the fields of History, Education, Law, Political Sciences, and other related fields; and

WHEREAS, establishing a National American History Month will enhance greater awareness and support through educational publications, programs, historic tours, scholarships, as well as initiatives to encourage other organizations to engage in similar efforts; and

WHEREAS, a National American History Month effort will aid in discovery, collection, and preservation of historical records, documents, monuments, and structures that help us understand the history of the first Colonists and their descendants; and

WHEREAS, adoption of November as the designated National American History and Founders Month will bring together an understanding of our common heritage, promote Patriotism, and respect for the character and heroism of the Founding Fathers and Patriots of America; now

THEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim November 2019 as

NATIONAL AMERICAN HISTORY AND FOUNDERS MONTH

in the State of Connecticut.



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