

City of Warren

Mayoral Proclamation Honoring Juneteenth

Whereas: On June 19, 1865 African American slaves in Texas were told that they had been finally set free, *and;*

Whereas: This was more than two years after Lincoln had officially freed all slaves in the U.S. with his Emancipation Proclamation, *and;*

Whereas: The U.S. had to use troops to force compliance in the South with Lincoln's proclamation, *and;*

Whereas: Today, the struggle goes on for equality of treatment for not just African Americans, but all other minorities as well, *and;*

Whereas: We can and should celebrate the final emancipation of enslaved Black Americans and the end of a dark event in American History.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, James R. Fouts, Mayor of the City of Warren, Michigan, on behalf of the people of the City of Warren, do hereby proclaim Juneteenth to be celebrated in Warren on Monday, June 19, 2023 via an evening of festivities and lighting up city hall.

Mayor James R. Fouts
City of Warren, Michigan