



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, in 1926, Mr. Carter G. Woodson founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History in American Life; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Home Community Black History Committee, created to commemorate and carry on this tradition, is celebrating its 24th year of existence; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's Black History Month is "At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington"; and

WHEREAS, each year during Black History Month, we explore the history and culture of Black Americans, and we discover anew a treasure of history about the triumph of the human spirit; and

WHEREAS, Black history is an essential part of American history, and it is fitting that we set aside a special time to acknowledge this important segment of citizens of our state and our history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim February 2013, to be

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

in Idaho, and I encourage all citizens to be aware of important contributions made by Black citizens throughout our great state and thank them for the part they play in our society.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 15th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C.L. 'Butch' Otter".

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ben Yursa".

BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE