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Declaration

Whereas, we are approaching the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and live in a vast Nation with vast differences culturally and geographically, which is uniquely held together by our common heritage and history;

Whereas, preserving and understanding our American Heritage are intrinsic values that will serve us throughout our lives, bind us together, and allow us to better understand the foundation of our country;

Whereas, our citizen leaders envision a future where educational and service organizations of all manner, support education of our youth in the fields of American History, Education, Law, Political Sciences, and other related fields;

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;

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;

Whereas, adoption of the month of November as the designated National American History and Founders Month each year 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; and

