

# CITY OF FLAGSTAFF – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the “Back to Flagstaff” committee is a broad coalition of former residents and Arizonans representing all genders, ages, ethnicities, and cultural backgrounds in the state of Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, the African American community in Flagstaff has a long and rich history in helping pioneer the city, and many of the “first families” were recruited from Louisiana and Mississippi to work in the sawmills and helped establish Flagstaff; and

**WHEREAS**, first generation of children and grandchildren grew up in Flagstaff, attended local schools, and have since moved from Flagstaff to pursue other career, educational, and personal development opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Back to Flagstaff” committee sincerely desires to give back to the community and leave a legacy for generations to come, through mentoring and leadership programs and a commitment to combat adverse issues impacting the African American community and the city; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Back to Flagstaff” committee’s goal is to develop productive and reputable future citizens and leaders for the community and city; and

**WHEREAS**, the Flagstaff community affirms the fact that Flagstaff is a community of good people helping one another - Arizonans and former residents alike - to celebrate that truth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAL EVANS**, Mayor of the City of Flagstaff, Arizona do hereby proclaim **June 29 – July 1, 2018** as --

## BACK TO FLAGSTAFF CELEBRATION WEEKEND

DATED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018



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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK