

RESOLUTION NO. 306

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria recognizes that the Commonwealth of Virginia throughout its existence has been a repository of Afro-American history; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has many important landmarks that make it one of the most historically significant jurisdictions in the Metropolitan Washington area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria should preserve, identify and nominate sites of Afro-American origin for inclusion on the national registry of historical sites; and

WHEREAS, by preserving significant Afro-American sites, the City of Alexandria will be enriching the lives of all of its citizens by making them aware of the rich heritage and traditions of black people; and

WHEREAS, the recognition, validation, and inclusion of these vital contributions will serve to make Alexandria truly a Bicentennial Center for all races.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Alexandria, Virginia, does endorse the application by the Afro-American Bicentennial Corporation for funding to study and identify the contributions of black people in suburban communities of Washington, D. C.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution endorsing the application of the Afro-American Bicentennial Corporation be spread upon the minutes of this City Council meeting and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

Adopted April 9, 1974

Mrs. Helen Vickers, Clerk of the
City of Alexandria, Virginia