

## RESOLUTION 910

### OCTOBER FAMILY HISTORY MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, an estimated 80 million Americans are believed to be actively involved in genealogical research in an effort to learn more about their ancestors both before and after immigrating to our shores;

WHEREAS, a growing number of institutions, libraries and individuals in America and elsewhere are involved in collecting, preserving and sharing genealogies, personal documents and memorabilia about their own ancestors, relatives or other individuals.

WHEREAS, genealogical information is not only important to present day researchers and family members, but it provides documentation for future generations to come.

WHEREAS, October was proclaimed Family History Month in 2003 to “reaffirm our pride in our history and keep us mindful of the sacrifices of our forbearers.”

WHEREAS, with the support and encouragement of the Iowa City Genealogical Society, representing genealogists throughout the county, I do therefore, proclaim the month of October 2010, as Family History Month in West Branch.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of West Branch, Iowa does hereby approve and adopt the City of West Branch declaring October as Family History Month.

Passed and approved this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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Jim Oaks, Mayor Pro Tem

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Matt Muckler, City Clerk