A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019, AS MALCOLM X DAY IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, Malcolm X was born on May 19, 1925, in Omaha, Nebraska; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, Malcolm X came from a background of poverty, crime, and drug use and while serving a prison sentence, he was introduced to the study of history and philosophy; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, through his study of history and philosophy, he began advocating for economic and political independence, self-reliance, and self-defense; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, following a pilgrimage to Mecca in 1964, he was inspired to advocate for overcoming America's racial challenges by focusing on shared values and common beliefs instead of on each other's differences; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, through his dedication to continuing his education, Malcolm X became one of America's most dynamic African American leaders of the 1960s; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, Malcolm X was assassinated for his beliefs in New York City in 1965 but remains a symbol of strength for his unrelenting commitment to justice, equality, and freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§ 7. Do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 19, 2019, as Malcolm X Day in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating the diversity, character, and strength of our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2019.

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	City Clerk		