

Office of the Mayor
Tulsa, OK

Executive Order 2025-06

Establishing June 1st as a Day of Observance
Of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre

WHEREAS, the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre stands as one of the most devastating acts of racial violence in American history, because of its scale and toll on the local community; and

WHEREAS, for too long, this tragic event was erased from public discourse, leaving generations without an understanding of its impact on Tulsa and our nation; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to honor the resilience of survivors and descendants of the massacre, recognize the historical significance of the event, and educate future generations on the importance of truth and reconciliation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Monroe Nichols IV, Mayor, by the authority vested in me, do hereby establish June 1 as a Day of Observance for the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre.

On this day, we will:

1. Honor the memory of those who lost their lives and acknowledge the lasting impact of the massacre on Tulsa's Black community.
2. Promote education and public awareness to ensure that this history is never forgotten and that we strive for racial justice and equity in our city.
3. Celebrate the resilience and contributions of the Black community in rebuilding and shaping Tulsa's future.

I call upon all residents, schools, businesses, and community organizations to participate in appropriate observances, activities, and discussions that reflect the significance of this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tulsa to be affixed this 14th Day of March, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Date

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APPROVED:

City Attorney

