

**NATIONAL BLACK HIV/AIDS**  
**AWARENESS DAY 2008 · PREVENTION IS POWER**  
Get **Educated.** Get **Tested.** Get **Involved.** Get **Treated.**



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## Sample State or City Proclamation

**NOTE: Call your local City Hall or State offices to identify the person to whom a letter and sample proclamation should be sent.**

A RESOLUTION to designate February 7, 2008, as "**National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day**" in **[name of city or state]**

WHEREAS February 7, 2008, is the eighth annual observance of *National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day*; and

WHEREAS, this observance is a nationwide effort to mobilize Black American communities to get educated, get tested, get treated and get involved with HIV/AIDS, as it continues to devastate Black communities; and

WHEREAS, *National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day* is directed, planned and strategically overseen by a Strategic Leadership Council made up of eight organizations, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to mobilize community-based organizations and stakeholders involved in HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment; and

WHEREAS, **[number]** residents of **[city or state]** are living with HIV and **[percentage]** of these men, women and children are Black Americans; and

WHEREAS, **[list the names of state or city organizations that are involved]** are hosting community events to recognize this day and its importance to Black Americans and all concerned citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we join with these national and local groups to express our strong support for *National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day* and the initiatives to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS in Black American communities and provide treatment and support services to those living with HIV/AIDS; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE **[name of governing body]** that we designate February 7, 2008, as *National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day* in **[city/state]**, and urge local residents to strongly support this day and participate in events planned to commemorate the occasion.