

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS the preservation of historic places is an effective tool for revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character and the preservation and reuse of historic buildings is inherently sustainable and environmentally sound, and

WHEREAS, since 1973, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and countless communities across the United States have marked May as an annual time to recognize the importance of preserving places that reflect America's history, and

WHEREAS modern-day Milwaukie, first settled in 1847 on the historic homeland of the Clackamas people, encompasses a range of potentially historic buildings, from late pioneer-era structures, through Victorian, Craftsman and other historic eras and styles, to exceptional mid-century architecture, and

WHEREAS residents of Milwaukie and the many volunteers of the Milwaukie Historical Society have helped raise awareness of historic resources and buildings in our community, including launching the first Historic Homes Tour in 2019, working with fellow residents realizing their homes' histories, and offering assistance with updating Milwaukie's Historic Home Inventory, and

WHEREAS the preservation of historic places has a positive impact on communities by strengthening neighborhoods, encouraging local economic growth, providing a physical link to the past, and by being environmentally responsible.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lisa Batey, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim MAY 2024 as HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH in Milwaukie to increase public understanding of the importance of preserving our history for future generations.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 21st day of May 2024.

Lisa M. Batey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder

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