

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, the preservation of historic places is an effective tool for revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

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

WHEREAS, modern-day Milwaukie, situated in the historic homeland of the Clackamas band, is one of the oldest settled communities in Oregon, founded in 1847 and incorporated in 1903, continues to encompass a range of potentially historic buildings, including late pioneer-era structures and exceptional mid-century architecture; 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; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukie Historical Society will host the inaugural historic home tour on June 22<sup>nd</sup> featuring four early 20<sup>th</sup> century homes in the Island Station Neighborhood that have been lovingly preserved and restored by their owners.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mark Gamba, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim **May 2019** as **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 2019.

Mark Gamba, Mayor

ATTEST:

Scott Stauffer, City Recorder