

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS** the Milwaukie Farmers Market and Celebrate Milwaukie Inc. (CMI) started in 1999 with just seven vendors; from those humble beginnings, the Market now enters its 25<sup>th</sup> season with 85 vendors per week, and over 125 vendors over the course of a season; and

**WHEREAS** in addition to growing over these past 25 years the Milwaukie Farmers Market has become a beloved institution in our city and a cornerstone of the Milwaukie community, and beyond; not only do the Market and its vendors provide high-quality food and products for local families, but the Market provides a meeting place for everyone and helps to strengthen connections in our community from May through October; and

**WHEREAS** the Milwaukie Farmers Market is proud to offer a wide variety of local and unique products from a multitude of incredible vendors; over the past 25 seasons, the Market has supported and nurtured numerous small businesses, helping local farmers, producers, and artisans start, develop, and grow their businesses in a supportive environment; the Milwaukie Farmers Market and CMI are also proud to support our neighbors with food supplement programs such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, and Double Up Food Bucks; and

**WHEREAS** as the Milwaukie Farmers Market starts its 25<sup>th</sup> season, the City of Milwaukie is proud to have them as an important part of our community and the city thanks everyone who supports the Market, in particular the wonderful vendors and customers, and the city encourages everyone to join us in visiting many times during this celebratory 25<sup>th</sup> season, starting on Opening Day on May 7th.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Lisa M. Batey, Mayor of the City of Milwaukie, a municipal corporation in the County of Clackamas, in the State of Oregon, do hereby proclaim **MAY 2023** to be the monthlong celebration of the **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Milwaukie Farmers Market**.

**IN WITNESS, WHEREOF**, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of **April 2023**.

  
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Lisa M. Batey, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder

