

PROCLAMATION

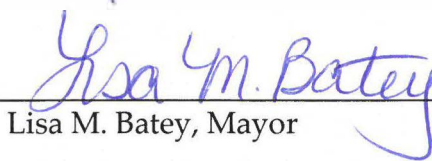
WHEREAS after the end of the Vietnam War in 1975, the first Vietnamese immigrants came to the City of Milwaukie in the State of Oregon in search of opportunity and freedom, bringing Vietnamese customs and traditions which have been passed down through generations; and

WHEREAS the Vietnamese American community has made substantial contributions to cultural, religious, political, and business life throughout the State of Oregon, including in the City of Milwaukie; and

WHEREAS many Vietnamese Americans and other Asian families in the community will joyfully celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival, also known as the Moon Festival and the festival for children. The Vietnamese Community of Oregon will celebrate with special foods and activities under the full moon, on Saturday, September 23rd.

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 the **SEPTEMBER 24-30, 2023**, to be **VIETNAMESE AMERICAN MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL CELEBRATION DAYS**, a time for celebrating our Vietnamese neighbors and their contributions to our community.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, and with the consent of the City Council of the City of Milwaukie, I have hereunto set my hand on this 19th day of **September 2023**.



Lisa M. Batey, Mayor

ATTEST:



Scott S. Stauffer, City Recorder