

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Historic Preservation Month was established in 1973, by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in order to promote historic preservation and community pride in local heritage sites; and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Salem is one of only seven cities in Oregon designated by the Oregon Heritage Commission as a Heritage All-Star Community for its wealth of heritage resources and effective programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has four National Register Districts and more than 100 individually listed Local Historic Landmarks including the Elsinore Theatre, Gaiety Hollow, the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, Jason Lee House, and the Southern Pacific Railroad Station; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem's hundreds of historic buildings help illuminate our city's past and brighten its future; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping preserve the City's architectural heritage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Bennett, the Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim May 2021, as

NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

and call upon the residents of Salem to recognize this special observance.

DATED this tenth day of May, 2021.



Chuck Bennett
Mayor