

PROCLAMATION

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

Whereas, the historic houses and buildings of Ashland help make our City unique and provide links with aspirations and attainment of the City's pioneers and their descendants.

Whereas, these fine examples of Nineteenth and Twentieth century buildings contribute to an appreciation of our heritage.

Whereas, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds.

Whereas, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people.

Whereas, National Historic Preservation Month is in May. Ashland has selected May 16th – 22nd, as Historic Preservation Week. Ashland's celebrations are co-sponsored by the City of Ashland's Historic Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council and Mayor, on behalf of the citizens of Ashland, do proclaim May 2021 as

National Historic Preservation Month

and call upon the people of the City of Ashland to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

Dated this ___ day of _____, 2021

Julie Akins, Mayor

Melissa Huhtala, City Recorder