



A PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH IN ASHLAND

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

WHEREAS, These fine examples of Nineteenth and Twentieth century buildings contribute to an appreciation of our heritage, *and*

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, *and*

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, *and*

WHEREAS, National Historic Preservation Month is in May and Ashland has selected May 14th – 20th 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, *and*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tonya Graham, Mayor of the City of Ashland, Oregon, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby acknowledge May 14 through 20, 2023 to be Historic Preservation week in the City of Ashland and call upon our fellow citizens to recognize and participate in this special observance. Our work to protect our community heritage proves that In Ashland we are "Better Together."

Dated this 18th day of April 2023

Tonya Graham, Mayor

Melissa Huhtala, City Recorder

