

# PROCLAMATION

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## Historic Preservation Month May 2021

WHEREAS, The National Trust for Historic Preservation established May as Historic Preservation Month in 1973 as a way to promote historic places for the purpose of instilling nation and community pride, promoting heritage tourism, and showing the social and economic benefits of historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, Historic Preservation Month can instill awareness of the local historically significant buildings and landmarks to the residents of Albany and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, walks of life, and 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 community; and

WHEREAS, Albany has many notable historic designations including four National Historic Districts featuring the greatest number of historic styles in the state of Oregon, being the site of the first airplane built and flown in Oregon, having the state's oldest Main Street Program, hosting the state's oldest Farmers' Market, and being the first recipient of the Heritage All Star Community designation in Oregon.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Alexander D. Johnson II, Mayor of the City of Albany, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2021 as

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in Albany, and I encourage all residents to take time this month to appreciate Albany's many historic resources and to participate in activities celebrating our heritage.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Albany to be affixed this 28th day of April 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alexander D. Johnson II".

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Alexander D. Johnson II, Mayor