

**PROCLAMATION**

*WHEREAS, each May in conjunction with National Preservation Month the City of Olympia celebrates local history, heritage, and preservation; and*

*WHEREAS, this annual effort provides an opportunity to appreciate Olympia's rich history; highlight the positive impact that historic places have on Olympia's character and social well-being; and recognize significant events, people and places that contribute to preservation in our community; and*

*WHEREAS, creating a deeper sense of connection and continuity is essential to countering the effects of social distancing and isolation in our community, and to supporting social and economic recovery following two years of pandemic conditions; and*

*WHEREAS, the Olympia Heritage Commission has forwarded nominations for 2022 Heritage Awards recognizing individuals, including three Legacy Businesses, who in their long-time presence in our community have defied train wrecks, economic downturns, and pandemics to exemplify resiliency, continuity, and unique character of Olympia; and*

*WHEREAS, the preservation of these commercial institutions along with our historic buildings and historic place names together form a cultural framework of place that we know as "home"; and*

*NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council does hereby proclaim May 2022 as*

**OLYMPIA HERITAGE MONTH**

*And encourages all residents to celebrate the places that make our City uniquely Olympia.*

**SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2022.**

**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL**

*Cheryl Selby  
Mayor*