



WHEREAS, May is designated as Preservation Month by the National Trust for Historic Preservation; this year's theme, *"All People Are Created Equal,"* is a national effort to recognize the individuals and organizations that pour their time, energy, and resources into protecting places and inspire others to do the same; and

WHEREAS, as the United States marks the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, we should look to the places that bring its most powerful promise to life, that *"All People Are Created Equal,"* and to the preservationists making sure those places endure; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation helps strengthen and foster communities, rejuvenate neighborhoods, protect natural and cultural resources, and encourage local pride; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville has a unique and rich history, with historic roads and communities, over 30 locally designated historic sites and nine historic districts, many listings on the National Register, and a commitment to preserving and protecting these for the benefit of present and future residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville partners with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Maryland Historical Trust, the Historic District Commission, and Peerless Rockville to care for historic resources, historic homeowners, and celebrate and protect our special places.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, recognizing that the efforts of historic preservation enrich our present and enhance our future, do hereby proclaim **May 2026** as **Preservation Month**, and call upon the community of Rockville to enjoy historic homes, sites, and landscapes.




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