

WHEREAS, May is designated as Preservation Month by the National Trust for Historic Preservation; this year's theme, *Harnessing the Power of Place*, 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, Preservation Month 2025 reminds us in Rockville of this year's theme: "Harnessing the Power of Place," and that historical sites and cultural landmarks reflect our community's character and heritage as an important piece of our City's identity; 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, and 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 2025** as **Preservation Month**, and call upon the community of Rockville to enjoy historic homes, sites, and landscapes.



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