

WHEREAS, Historic Preservation Month is celebrated annually throughout the month of May, both locally and nationally, in order to recognize the significant role that preservation plays in our daily lives; and,

WHEREAS, the 2022 theme is “People Saving Places” to recognize the great work people saving places—in ways big and small—and inspiring others to do the same; and,

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for revitalizing neighborhoods and commercial districts, promoting sustainability, fostering civic pride, and maintaining character while enhancing livability; and,

WHEREAS, historic preservation is essential to heritage tourism in a 21st century economy; and,

WHEREAS, the City's dedicated historic site volunteers and preservation advocates provide unwavering support for our cultural resources; and,

WHEREAS, the promotion and preservation of the City’s historic buildings and sites is critical to the identity of Independence; and,

WHEREAS, historic preservation is significant for communities across the nation, for Americans of all ages, from all walks of life, and all ethnic backgrounds.

THEREFORE, I, Rory Rowland, Mayor of Independence, Missouri do hereby proclaim the month of May 2022, as

National Historic Preservation Month

throughout this city, and I urge all the people in the City of Independence, to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Independence, Missouri, to be affixed this 2nd day of May 2022.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK