

MOTION:

**May 10, 2022
Regular Meeting
Res. No. 22-**

SECOND:

RE: PROCLAIM – MAY 2022 – HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

ACTION:

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, Prince William County honors its heritage by preserving and protecting its history through restoration of numerous historic sites and educational programming for the public to learn about local history; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in everyday life and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped the community; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an important contributor to the local economy and to the Northern Virginia tourism market, with over 42% of visitors to the region visiting a historic site, and / or museum, in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the National Trust for Historic Preservation created Historic Preservation Month in 1971 to spotlight preservation efforts around the country and serve as a showcase for local communities to honor their past and help build their futures; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Prince William County's rich historical heritage, the Prince William Board of County Supervisors (Board) established the Historical Commission and the Architectural Review Board to advise and assist in efforts to identify, preserve, protect, and promote historic sites and the history of Prince William County and its cultural resources; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 the Board established a Historic Preservation Division to maintain and operate County-owned historic properties and resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors proclaims May 2022 as Historic Preservation Month.

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

ATTEST: _____

Clerk to the Board