## **PROCLAMATION**

## Declaring May 2020 Historic Preservation Month

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

**WHEREAS,** historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and ethnic backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Bloomington's appointed Historic Preservation Commission is dedicated to the protection and restoration of Bloomington's historic, cultural, and architectural heritage.

WHEREAS, "This Place Matters" is a national campaign that encourages people to celebrate the places that are meaningful to them and to their communities, and Preservation Month is the perfect time to share it with the world, cosponsored by the City of Bloomington, Illinois and the National Trust for Historic Preservation

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Tari Renner, Mayor of Bloomington, Illinois, do proclaim May 2020 as

## NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

in the City of Bloomington, and call upon the people of Bloomington, Illinois to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

Tari Renner

Mayor

Leslie Yocum

City Clerk