



MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, May is designated Preservation Month by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and celebrated throughout our nation; and
- WHEREAS, Preservation Month is dedicated to remembering that historic sites and cultural landmarks take on special meaning to individuals and communities alike, and this is a time to shine a spotlight on Montgomery County's many special places; and
- WHEREAS, Montgomery County has a rich and complex history, the study of which challenges us to build on our successes and learn from our mistakes, and County historic sites foster this dialogue and brings together residents from diverse backgrounds in shared experiences; and
- WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission, supported by the staff of the Montgomery County Planning Department's Historic Preservation Office, oversees preservation of more than 2,400 historic buildings and landmarks at more than 430 historic sites and 24 historic districts in Montgomery County; and
- WHEREAS, in the past three years the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission has approved tax credit applications for hundreds of projects, representing more than \$6.6 million of investment in historic properties, and that these incentives stimulated investment, created jobs, and improved the local economy; and
- WHEREAS, Montgomery County residents and public officials benefit from an exceptional network of history, preservation and advocacy organizations whose members dedicate time and resources to promote County landmarks for the appreciation of residents and visitors alike.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Montgomery County Planning Board hereby recognizes the month of May 2020 as Preservation Month and recognizes that—thanks to the monumental efforts of the many organizations, local government, community partners, and residents in our County who work selflessly to protect our shared past and enrich our future—our County's unique and complex history is recognized and preserved.

Presented on this 14th day of May in the year 2020.

Casey Anderson
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board