

City of Kenmore, Washington

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Black History Month is an annual recognition of history and celebration of achievements and contributions of Black and African American people to our nation's history and culture; and

WHEREAS, through bravery, perseverance, commitment, hard work, faith, and resolve—often in the face of prejudice and hardship—Black and African American people have enhanced and advanced every aspect of American life; and

WHEREAS, for over two and a half centuries, Black and African American people have struggled against the cruelties of slavery and Jim Crow segregation; as well as discrimination in social, cultural, political, and economic systems; and have faced disproportionate economic hardships and social inequalities; and

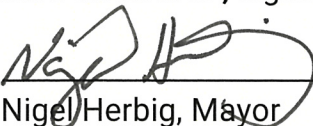
WHEREAS, despite extraordinary human trials, Black and African American leaders, educators, artists, scientists, entrepreneurs, and community members have significantly enriched the social, cultural, and economic fabric of the city, state, and nation; and

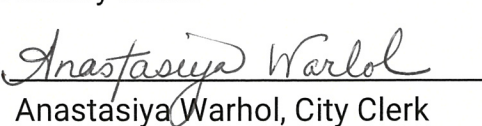
WHEREAS, this nation is strengthened and enriched by people of every race, religion, color, and creed; this February during Black History Month, we celebrate the cultural heritage, diverse contributions, and unbreakable spirit and patriotism of Black and African American people; and

WHEREAS, this month calls upon every member of our community to strive to build on our togetherness and cultural awareness and celebrate our diversity and intersectionality. The Council makes this proclamation to celebrate the Black and African American community and as an affirmation of the City's commitment to protect and serve everyone who resides in, works in, or visits Kenmore without discrimination, and of its beliefs in dignity, equality, and civil rights of all people.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nigel Herbig, Mayor of the City of Kenmore, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim **February** to be **Black History Month** throughout the City of Kenmore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, signed this 27th day of January 2025.

Signed: 
Nigel Herbig, Mayor

Attested: 
Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk