



## *City of Ellensburg*

# PROCLAMATION

### Honoring Black History Month 2025

**Whereas**, the City of Ellensburg recognizes the significance of Black History Month, a time to honor and celebrate the rich cultural heritage, achievements, and contributions of African Americans to our city, state, and nation; and

**Whereas**, African Americans have been integral to the development and progress of Ellensburg, from pioneering community leaders to contemporary innovators, artists, educators, and public servants; and

**Whereas**, Black History Month serves as a reminder of the enduring struggle for civil rights and social justice, acknowledging the historical and ongoing challenges faced by African Americans and their resilience in the face of adversity; and

**Whereas**, it is imperative to educate our community, especially the younger generations, about the pivotal role African Americans have played in shaping our society, and to foster an inclusive environment that celebrates diversity and equality; and

**Whereas**, the City of Ellensburg is committed to promoting equity, understanding, and unity among all its residents, and to ensuring that the contributions of African Americans are recognized, appreciated, and celebrated.

**Now, therefore**, the City of Ellensburg, hereby proclaims February 2025 as Black History Month in Ellensburg, and encourages all citizens to join in celebrating the achievements and contributions of African Americans. Let us engage in meaningful activities, educational events, and community discussions that honor the legacy of Black History and inspire a future of equality and justice for all.

Signed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2025.

Attest:

A blue ink signature of the name "Beth Laddes".

City Clerk

A blue ink signature of the name "Rich Elliott".

Rich Elliott, Mayor