

CITY OF LACEY
Official Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1852, the area now known as the Lacey Historical Neighborhood was homesteaded by an industrious settler name Isaac Wood, who eventually became the first brew master in the territory north of the Columbia River and provided the inspiration for Lacey's original name of Woodland; and

WHEREAS, by 1891, the Northern Pacific Railroad added a rail line through the growing community which now boasted a sulky racing track, hotel, train depot, school district, platted subdivision, and post office; and

WHEREAS, in 1891, a post office was established with the unique name of Lacey to avoid confusion with another town in the state;

WHEREAS, in 1895, Saint Martin's College opened its doors and, on its campus in 1922 KGY radio received one of the earliest radio licenses in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, by the 1920's with the advent of the automobile, Lacey had become well-known as a resort community, over time featuring nineteen lakeside resorts offering swimming, diving, roller skating, dancing and exciting water chutes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lacey through a vote of its residents, was incorporated on December 5, 1966; and

WHEREAS, Lacey's Historical Commission, Historical Society, City Council, and residents recognize the significance of our community's heritage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andy Ryder, Mayor of the City of Lacey, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2022, to be

Lacey History Month

AND FURTHER, I encourage all residents to join me in discovering and celebrating Lacey's 170 years of history during this month of May and throughout the year.

Mayor Andy Ryder
May 5, 2022