



City of St. Charles
ILLINOIS

Proclamation

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

- WHEREAS,** In 1993, the City established the **Historic Preservation Commission** with the purpose of fostering awareness and preserving distinctive historic architectural areas and structures significant to the history of St. Charles. Its mission was to protect and increase the value of property within these areas and in designated landmark sites while encouraging preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of the City's buildings. Its charter was to ensure the economic benefits resulting from preservation are available to the citizens of St. Charles; and
- WHEREAS,** In 1994, the City designated its first Historic District, known as the Central Historic District, spanning the original town as platted in 1837; and
- WHEREAS,** In 1997, the City was designated a Certified Local Government for Historic Preservation by the National Park Service and the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency; and
- WHEREAS,** The City designated two additional historic districts, the Moody-Millington District in 2006 and the Millington District in 2017; and
- WHEREAS,** Since 1997, the **Historic Preservation Commission** has approved nearly 900 Certificates of Appropriateness for work to improve and enhance historic buildings in the community; and
- WHEREAS,** The City's Historic Preservation initiatives advance St. Charles' mission of preserving the heritage of the community embodied in its historic buildings; and
- WHEREAS,** The past year has marked important milestones for Historic Preservation in St. Charles including: the 25th anniversary of the **Historic Preservation Commission** and the City's first Historic District, and the designation of the City's 50th Historic Landmark.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, along with the St. Charles City Council, do hereby proclaim **May 2019**, as "**Historic Preservation Month**" in the City of St. Charles.

SEAL:



Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor