

PROCLAMATION

Heritage Week February 19 – 25, 2024

WHEREAS: the District of North Saanich recognizes the importance of protecting and stewarding our rich and diverse heritage by proclaiming Heritage Week;

WHEREAS: the theme for Heritage Week 2024 is Heritage: Layer by Layer;

WHEREAS: Heritage Week is held to recognize the histories that make the foundation of our community, connecting citizens through shared values and creating a place of pride and social well-being;

WHEREAS: heritage creates and encourages economic activity, job creation, and tourism;

WHEREAS: our community is enhanced and sustained by its heritage places and spaces;

- **WHEREAS:** our community celebrates the past and future by embracing, exploring, and enjoying our enduring heritage;
- WHEREAS: preserving heritage places is a key element of building a sustainable community;
- WHEREAS: we acknowledge that all people of our community contribute to our rich and cultural heritage; and
- WHEREAS: we recognize our cultural and natural heritage are irreplaceable sources of life and inspiration, our touchstone, our reference point, our identity.

THEREFORE: be it resolved that the District of North Saanich hereby proclaims February 19 – 25, 2024 as "Heritage Week".

Dated this 31st day of January, 2024.

Peter Jones, Mayor

Rachel Dumas, Corporate Officer