

PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2017 HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

WHEREAS, Preservation of Kentucky's historic buildings and sites is a proven economic development tool that creates jobs, attracts investment, revitalizes downtowns and neighborhoods, stimulates heritage tourism, fosters new business development, assists affordable housing, increases property values and improves the economic climate of communities; and

WHEREAS, Preservation has been established as public policy under the National Historic Preservation Act, which provided the framework for the Kentucky Legislature to create the state historic preservation office in 1966, and Amendments to the Act in 1980 enabled successful preservation partnerships between federal, state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, The Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office is responsible for the identification, protection and preservation of archaeological sites and historic and cultural resources throughout the Commonwealth, in partnership with elected officials, community leaders, advocates, nonprofit organizations and interested citizens; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hopkinsville has been a Certified Local Government since 1988, in partnership with the Kentucky Heritage Council and the National Park Service, and has established historic preservation as public policy and worked to meet federal, state and local historic preservation objectives; and

WHEREAS, Historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and because of the wealth of Kentucky's historic buildings, sites, structures and places, it is important that citizens of the Commonwealth recognize and value this heritage.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, do hereby proclaim May 2017 as

HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

in the City of Hopkinsville and encourage its observance throughout the community.

EXECUTED THIS 30TH DAY OF MAY 2017.


Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor
City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky

