

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Poetry Month was created in 1996 by the Academy of American Poets; and

WHEREAS, poetry is the artful expression of human thought and feeling; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation of poetry nourishes the human spirit; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of National Poetry Month is to appreciate the legacy of poets, to encourage poetry reading, to help teachers introduce poetry into the classroom and to increase support of the publication of poetry books; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Poet Laureate serves the community by cultivating the practice of writing, reading, and appreciation of poetry; and

WHEREAS, Clark County Poets Laureate Armin Tolentino (2021-2024), Gwendolyn Morgan (2018-2020) and Christopher Luna (2013-2017) continue to serve the community as ambassadors of literary culture through poetry.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne McEnery-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, Washington, do hereby proclaim April, 2023, as:

“National Poetry Month”

Across the City of Vancouver and encourage the community to recognize the importance and reading of poetry.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 17th day of April, 2023.




ANNE McENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR