Proclamation

- WHEREAS, the annual Open House Ministries Block Party and Resource Fair is a community gathering of non-sheltered people, neighbors, nonprofit groups, and exhibitors coming together to promote a harmonious, healthy and sustainable community; and
- WHEREAS, Open House Ministries is a faith-based community organization helping families who are experiencing homelessness by providing shelter and intervention through life-changing programs; and
- WHEREAS, Open House Ministries provided shelter and critical enrichment opportunities for 83 adults, and nurturing development for 100 children of all backgrounds in 2022; and
- WHEREAS, Open House Ministries is committed to equipping families who are experiencing homelessness with tools necessary for resolving challenges that lead to poverty and homelessness; and
- WHEREAS, Open House Ministries is dedicated to helping homeless families restore healthy relationships with each other, their community and Christ; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Vancouver recognizes that Open House Ministries assists the City in meeting the needs of our homeless community while accomplishing our community goals;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, do hereby proclaim the August 10, 2023, as:

"Open House Ministries Appreciation Day"

across the City of Vancouver and encourage the community to recognize the importance and contributions of Open House Ministries.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 10th day of August, 2023.

ANNE McENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR