

PROCLAMATION

National Poetry Month
April 2024

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

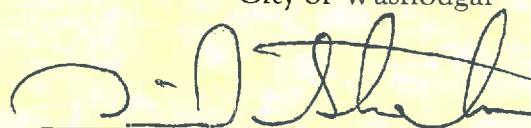
WHEREAS, Clark County Poets Laureate Susan Dingle, (2024-2027), Armin Tolentino (2021-2024), Gwendolyn Morgan (2018-2020) and Christopher Luna (2013-2017) continue to serve the community as ambassadors of literary culture through poetry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Stuebe, Mayor of the City of Washougal, do hereby proclaim April 2024, as:

“National Poetry Month”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Washougal, Washington to be affixed this **25th** day of **March 2024**.

City of Washougal



David Stuebe, Mayor

