

PROCLAMATION

*History Lives Here!*

*Celebrating History in the San Juan Islands*

*May 2021*

**WHEREAS**, since 2006, the Town of Friday Harbor has joined with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, local civic organizations, historical museums, public libraries, non-profit organizations, businesses and residents to bring local history and preservation to life for islanders and visitors alike; and

**WHEREAS**, local history and historic preservation contribute to the economic vitality of the tourism economy, the livability of neighborhoods, and preserves the authentic sense of place of Friday Harbor, and the county's villages, hamlets and rural landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, historic preservation is important to all American communities, but perhaps even more so to America's increasingly rare small towns and rural areas;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Farhad Ghatan, do hereby proclaim May 2021 as

*Heritage Month in the San Juans*

in the Town of Friday Harbor, and call upon the people of Friday Harbor and our neighbors throughout San Juan County to join us in recognizing and participating in special events made Covid-safe--because nothing stops us!



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Friday Harbor to be affixed this 1st day of May 2021.



Farhad Ghatan, Mayor