

~ 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 that motivates others to find  
their personal voice; and

WHEREAS, the Clark County Poet Laureate serves the community by fostering poetry as an art  
form capable of building bridges of understanding among people with diverse voices and  
experiences; 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 living poets;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ellen Burton, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim  
April 2021, as:

***“National Poetry Month”***

in the City of Camas and urge all citizens to join in this observance by celebrating the cultural  
riches of our community.



In witness whereof, I have set my hand  
and caused the seal of the City of Camas  
to be affixed this 5th day of April, 2021.

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Ellen Burton, Mayor Pro Tem