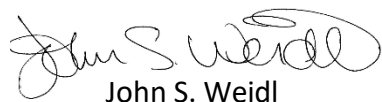




PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Muslims make up nearly 25 percent of the global population and Islam is the world's fastest growing religion; and
- WHEREAS,** Muslims around the world, and in the United States specifically, constitute a racially and culturally diverse group that is bound together by a shared belief in love as strength and unity as power; and
- WHEREAS,** Wisconsin Muslim Civic Foundation empowers and amplifies the voices of the Wisconsin Muslim community through civic engagement, research, and advocacy, striving to foster a more inclusive and equitable society for all; and
- WHEREAS,** while Muslims make substantial contributions to virtually every aspect of society, including business, academia, law, healthcare, the military, and more, we acknowledge that the history and contributions of Muslim Americans in our country are often neglected or defaced by prejudice, discrimination, xenophobia, and islamophobia; and
- WHEREAS,** on this occasion, we recommit ourselves to standing against hate and injustice in all forms, and to combatting anti-Muslim rhetoric through awareness, education, community, and meaningful action; and
- WHEREAS,** Whitewater is home to a vibrant Muslim community that plays an essential role in forming and fundamentally enriching the unique character of our state and nation; and
- WHEREAS,** today, the City of Whitewater joins all faiths and backgrounds in celebrating our Muslim friends and neighbors and the cultural and religious heritage of the Muslim community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN WEIDL, CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF WHITEWATER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of Whitewater, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim **July 2026** as **MUSLIM AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH** in the City of Whitewater.



John S. Weidl

City Manager for the City of Whitewater