

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Main Street programs offer effective tools for revitalizing and encouraging economic growth within historic downtowns, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salem Main Street Association was formed in March 2016, as part of the National Main Street Program in order to promote preservation based economic development and increase community pride in Salem's Downtown; and

**WHEREAS**, Salem's Main Street Association would like to proclaim the summer of 2019 a celebration of Salem Alley Days, which will include events celebrating the history of Salem's downtown alleys on First Wednesdays and On Your Feet Fridays; and

**WHEREAS**, Salem's local businesses have rediscovered Salem's downtown alleys, and residents and visitors enjoy the pedestrian-friendly, historic nature of these segments of Salem's downtown streetscape; and

**WHEREAS**, Salem's Main Street Association is interested in giving residents and visitors an opportunity provide input on naming the alleys during the summer Salem Alley Days celebrations in order to further develop and celebrate Salem's vibrant historic alleys, enriching their sense of place as a vital and central part of Salem's downtown; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim summer 2019, as a celebration of:

### SALEM ALLEY DAYS

and call upon the residents of Salem to recognize this special observance.

**DATED** this tenth day of June, 2019.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chuck Bennett".

Chuck Bennett  
Mayor