

## Proclamation

## Heritage Week

## February 19 - 25, 2024

- WHEREAS the City of Surrey recognizes the deep history of this land, being situated on the traditional and ancestral land of the Salish Peoples, including Katzie, Kwantlen, and Semiahmoo Nations;
- **WHEREAS** the City recognizes the importance of preserving and providing access to the City's rich and diverse heritage by proclaiming Heritage Week;
- WHEREAS the theme for Heritage Week 2024 is "Layer by Layer";
- WHEREAS heritage week is proclaimed each year to shed light on the significance of heritage in the community;
- **WHEREAS** heritage brings people together, allows for the sharing of knowledge, and creates and encourages economic activity, job creation and tourism;
- WHEREAS our community is enhanced by its heritage and museum venues, sites, exhibits, and programs;
- WHEREAS our community celebrates the past, present and future by embracing, discovering, and enjoying heritage experiences throughout the City; and
- WHEREAS Surrey believes that all residents contribute to the diverse heritage of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby declare February 19-25 2024 as "Heritage Week" in the City of Surrey.

Mayor Brenda Locke City of Surrey