



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Poetry is the practice of intentional and heart-felt language; and;

WHEREAS, intention and heart are central to our ongoing work as elected officials, residents, and neighbors; and;

WHEREAS, poetry helps foster a vital language; and;

WHEREAS, a vital language is needed not only to make art but to navigate conflict; and;

WHEREAS, there will, of course, be a few conflicts to come; and;

WHEREAS, intentional and heart-felt language invites depth & clarity, nuance & grace into our every conversation; civic or otherwise;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David J. Faber, Mayor of Port Townsend, Washington do hereby proclaim April 1 through April 30, 2024 as Poetry Month. I call upon all public officials, educators, librarians, businesses, and residents of Port Townsend, Washington to honor this month through participation in the celebratory programs, events, and activities offered for such purpose within our community and to acknowledge poetry as an artistic foundation to build upon in perpetuity to sustain the greatness of our nation.

David J. Faber, Mayor