

PROCLAMATION
Recognition of 50 Years of Operation
by the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County, Michigan (GSWC)
May 2024

- WHEREAS, GSWC was incorporated in 1974 with the purpose of promoting, through educational means, the study and importance of genealogical histories, and to disseminate the techniques used in researching family history.*
- WHEREAS, GSWC has grown into a diverse community of family history enthusiasts. Through our programs, classes, special interest groups, and publications, we have helped many people discover their roots and connect with like-minded individuals.*
- WHEREAS, GSWC established and maintains a reference collection pertinent to Washtenaw County history and genealogies. This collection also contains materials and indices relevant to researching ancestors with a Washtenaw County connection. The GSWC Research Committee responds to inquiries to provide answers and/or recommendations for additional resources to pursue.*
- WHEREAS, the GSWC website offers members access to a surname database, cemetery records, Family History Capers (a quarterly journal) since 1979, and current member names. The website offers public access to upcoming lecture and class information, the GSWC library catalog, links to Washtenaw County genealogy research sources, and our Special Interest Groups: DNA, German, Ireland and the UK.*
- WHEREAS, the volunteers of GSWC are responsible for the growth and longevity of this organization. Their passion for genealogical research is evident through their commitment to take on the tasks necessary to bring together researchers of all skill levels and promote the successful pursuit of family history.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, am pleased to congratulate the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County on fifty years of service to the Ann Arbor community and wish them success in the next fifty years to come. We encourage all community members to join us in this special observance and celebration.



*I hereby set my hand and seal
This 19th day of May, 2024.*

Christopher Taylor

*Christopher Taylor
Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor*