



Armondo Pavone Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, farmers and ranchers provide Americans access to healthy foods produced locally and regionally through farmers markets, which are expanding and evolving to accommodate the demand for a diverse array of agricultural products; and

Whereas, farmers markets incubate new farm businesses and young farmers with small budgets to hone their entrepreneurial skills, develop products, grow a loyal shopper base, and build experience to be successful; and

Whereas, farmers markets serve as vital hubs for rediscovering community, helping rural and urban communities reconnect with one another, stimulating local farming and Downtown businesses, and creating more equitable economic opportunities; and

Whereas, farmers markets offer women, infants, children, and seniors participating in WIC and Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Programs the opportunity to redeem their benefits for fresh produce, and offer electronic benefits transfer technology for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients in redeeming and matching their benefits; and

Whereas, farmers market professionals work closely with health officials and risk managers to ensure safe shopping experiences and meet service demands that make community spaces safe, engaging, educational, and accessible to the public; and

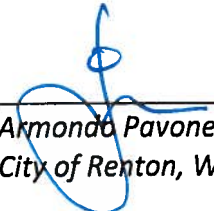
Whereas, the Renton Farmers Market is celebrating its 22nd season, open each Tuesday through September from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the beautiful Downtown core at Piazza and Gateway Parks;

Now, therefore, I, Armondo Pavone, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim August 6 through 12, 2023 to be

FARMERS MARKET WEEK

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all residents to join me in this special observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 7th day of August, 2023.



Armondo Pavone, Mayor
City of Renton, Washington

