



National Observances and Commemorative Months

These observances are celebrated by the City of Keizer pursuant to Resolution No. R2025-3567.

They are posted on the website and the digital sign.

- **Black History Month** (February) ~ National Black History Month in February celebrates the contributions that African Americans have made to American history in their struggles for freedom and equality and deepens our understanding of our Nation's history.
- **Women's History Month** (March) ~ Women's History Month honors and celebrates the struggles and achievements of American women throughout the history of the United States.
- **National Disability Employment Awareness Month¹ and National Developmental Disability Awareness Month** (March) ~ National Disability Employment Disability Awareness Month celebrates the accomplishments in the workplace of persons with disabilities and reaffirms the commitment to ensuring equal employment opportunities to all citizens. National Developmental Disability Awareness Month (March) celebrates the contributions of individuals with developmental disabilities and the importance of inclusive environments that support full participation and equal access in all areas of community life.
- **Child Abuse Prevention Month** (April) ~ National Child Abuse Prevention Month recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to strengthen families to prevent child abuse and neglect. Through this collaboration, prevention services and supports help protect children and produce thriving families.
- **Volunteer Recognition Month** (April) ~ National Volunteer Month in April celebrates the impact of volunteers have on our lives and encourages active volunteerism in generations to come. This month, we salute them for their unwavering services to businesses and communities and hold aloft their examples to inspire young and adults towards volunteerism.

¹ This observance is traditionally recognized in October. The City of Keizer recognizes it in March pursuant to Resolution No. R2025-3567.

- **Jewish American Heritage Month** (May) ~ Jewish American Heritage Month is a month to celebrate the contributions Jewish Americans have made to America since they first arrived in New Amsterdam in 1654.
- **Asian American Native Hawai'ian Pacific Islander Heritage Month** (May) ~ Asian American Native Hawai'ian Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebrates the histories, cultures, and contributions of Asian Americans, Native Hawai'ians, and Pacific Islanders in the United States.
- **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Pride Month** (June) ~ Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Pride Month commemorates the events of June 1969 and works to achieve equal justice and equal opportunity for LGBTQ Americans.
- **Juneteenth Proclamation** (June) ~ Juneteenth commemorates an effective end of slavery in the United States. Juneteenth (short for "June Nineteenth") marks the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas in 1865 to take control of the state and ensure that all enslaved people be freed.
- **National Suicide Prevention Month** (September) ~ National Suicide Prevention Month raises awareness about suicide, promotes prevention, and supports those affected by it. It encourages open conversations, reduces stigma, and connects people to help and hope.
- **National Hispanic Heritage Month**² (September) ~ National Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates and recognizes the contributions Hispanic Americans have made to American society and culture and to honor five of our Central American neighbors who celebrate their Independence days in September.
- **Indigenous Peoples' Day**³ (October) ~ Indigenous Peoples' Day to honors the cultures and histories of the Native American people. The day is centered around reflecting on their tribal roots and the tragic stories that hurt but strengthened their communities.
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** (October) ~ During DVAM, victim advocates, allied professionals, survivors of abuse, their loved ones, and the surrounding community come together to mourn the lives lost to domestic violence, celebrate the progress that has been made to end this epidemic, and connect with others working to create change.

² This observance is traditionally recognized from September 15th thru October 15th. The City of Keizer recognizes it in September pursuant to Resolution No. R2025-3567.

³ This observance is traditionally celebrated on the second Monday of October.

- **Native American Heritage Month** (November) ~ National Native American Heritage Month celebrates and recognizes the accomplishments of the peoples who were the original inhabitants, explorers and settlers of the United States.
- **National Veterans and Military Families Month** (November) ~ National Veterans and Military Families Month honors the service of veterans and the strength and support of military families.
- **Human Rights Day**⁴ (December) ~ Human Rights Day is observed each year to commemorate the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948.

⁴ This observance is traditionally celebrated on December 10th.