



Office of Mayor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, January 2026 will mark the 24th anniversary of National Mentoring Month, highlighting the need for mentors and the power of mentoring to ensure positive outcomes for young people; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Bend honors volunteer mentors who strengthen our communities through programs like Youth Success Mentoring, a program of Empower Youth Network, building relationships that increase social capital and support networks; and

WHEREAS, mentoring fosters career exploration, workplace skills, healthy relationships, positive self-esteem, and emotional well-being; and

WHEREAS, students with mentors are more likely to attend school, enroll in college, and avoid risky behaviors; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month is a time to celebrate, elevate, and encourage mentoring and recruit caring adults in the City of North Bend;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary Miller, Mayor, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2026, as

NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

in the City of North Bend and encourage those interested in becoming a youth mentor to contact Empower Youth Network and thank current youth mentors for devoting their time and effort to ensure the success of our youth.



Signed this 6th day of January, 2026

Mary Miller
Mayor