

## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, The King's English Bookshop has been a literary cornerstone in Salt Lake City for 48 years, matching books to readers in the heart of the 15th & 15th neighborhood and well beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, the shop has drawn visitors from across the nation, including luminaries like Michelle Obama, while at the same time nurturing generations of local authors and readers; and

**WHEREAS**, the organization and its dedicated booksellers have been steadfast advocates for the independent-owned business community since the beginning, reminding us that local shops are also anchors for culture and connection; and

**WHEREAS**, countless Salt Lake City families have grown up among the shelves of The King's English, through storytimes, author meet-and-greets, and conversations that always seem to leave us a little wiser than before; and

**WHEREAS**, The King's English continues to give back with purpose, from partnering with Brain Food Books to put stories in the hands of children without regular access, to organizing a book club benefitting the Fernandes Scholarship Fund—ensuring that knowledge is shared and opportunity is written into the lives of many.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Erin Mendenhall, hereby proclaim September 10, 2025 as:

## The King's English Bookshop Day in Salt Lake City

**AND** encourage all residents to celebrate the joy of reading, the value of independent bookstores, and the enduring story of this beloved community treasure.

Dated the 10th day of September 2025

Erin Mendenhall Mayor