



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Edwin Pratt, was a prominent local civil rights leader, founding member of the Central Area Civil Rights Committee, and former Executive Director of the Seattle Urban League; and

**WHEREAS**, Edwin Pratt championed school desegregation, fair housing policies and practices, and ending discrimination in employment for Black Americans and others; and

**WHEREAS**, Edwin and Bettye Pratt were among the first African American residents to live in the Shoreline community when they purchased a home here in 1959; and

**WHEREAS**, Edwin Pratt, was a husband, father, and neighbor, and was active locally in his church and the Shoreline School District; and

**WHEREAS**, Edwin Pratt, was 38 years old when he was murdered at his Shoreline home over 50 years ago on January 26, 1969; and

**WHEREAS**, January 30, 1969 was declared a public day of mourning for Edwin Pratt and all flags were ordered to be flown at half-staff;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christopher Roberts, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim January 30, 2024, as

## EDWIN T. PRATT DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

in the City of Shoreline and ask all residents to work together to participate in building a diverse and inclusive community with opportunities for all as Edwin Pratt had envisioned.



  
Chris Roberts, Mayor