

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Washington is proud of its diverse community, which includes people from many cultures who contribute to the vibrancy of our state, and we embrace the opportunity to learn from and celebrate these traditions; and

**WHEREAS**, Sabantuy is a vibrant and joyous celebration, deeply rooted in the traditions of the Tatar, Bashkir and other Turkic peoples, marking the arrival of spring, the renewal of nature and the spirit of community; and

**WHEREAS**, Sabantuy brings together families and neighbors in a spirit of unity, promoting mutual understanding, respect and collaboration among people of all backgrounds and fosters a sense of belonging in our state; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage all residents of Washington to participate in this celebration and honor the cultural contributions of the Tatar, Bashkir and Turkic communities to our region's rich cultural tapestry; and

**WHEREAS**, Sabantuy will be celebrated in Washington on June 8th, 2025, providing an opportunity to experience traditional games, music, dance and cuisine, all of which reflect the rich cultural heritage of the Tatar and Bashkir peoples;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Ferguson, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2025, as

### *Sabantuy*

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bob Ferguson', is written over the printed name.

Governor Bob Ferguson

