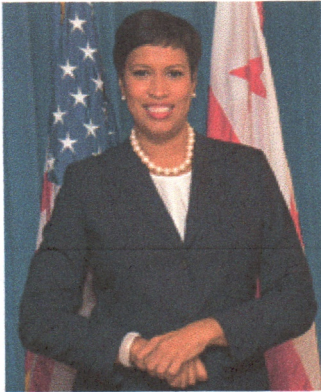


Proclamation



WINTERNATIONAL DAY

DECEMBER 7, 2020

WHEREAS, Winternational Day connects the Washington, DC community with the largest diplomatic community in the world and serves as a forum for advancing diplomacy, international commerce, and cross-cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, Winternational Day historically has been a celebration and showcase of culture, cuisine, art, handcrafts, and trade and tourism exhibits of Washington DC's diplomatic community taking place in the renowned Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center; and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Winternational Day will transform into a Virtual Marketplace designed to provide an economic recovery vehicle for embassy-curated artisans to promote visual and decorative arts, traditional foods, beverages, spices, and delicacies; and

WHEREAS, Winternational Day 2020 will represent the launch of a year-long campaign in a curated virtual marketplace that will provide Washingtonians with the unique opportunity to experience an extraordinary showcase of visual and handcrafted arts, international culture, travel, cuisine, customs and traditions from countries around the globe:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim December 7, 2020, in Washington, DC, as **"WINTERNATIONAL DAY!"**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Muriel Bowser", written over a horizontal line.

