



## **The Ban Josip Jelačić Memorial Home Foundation**

The Ban Josip Jelačić Memorial Home Foundation is situated in his birthplace within walled section of the town of Petrovaradin (Novi Sad) in Republic of Serbia.

Memorial Home is run by a foundation, for that purpose founded by National council of Croatian National Minority in Republic of Serbia in 2020. As the property that commemorates the birthplace of Ban Jelačić, his house is of utmost importance for the Croatian people and especially for Croatian minority in Republic of Serbia, whose symbolic, tangible and intangible heritage National Council maintains and protects.

**The Ban Josip Jelačić Memorial Home Foundation is a culture centre** with its own production, traditional but also contemporary.

It is a home of all Croats where their creativity will be promote and cherished. It is also a place for the realization of the Republic of Croatia as our mutual homeland.

It is a house in the city of Petrovaradin. Many famous people from Petrovaradin beside Ban Jelačić were distinguished in their achievements composers Stanislav Preprek and Franjo Štefanović, priest Ilija Okrugić Sriemac, meyer Franjo Malin, musician Đuro Rajković, to name a few. That also includes nun, mother Amadea Pavlovića, who was proclaimed a Righteous Among the Nations for saving children during World War II. The national tradition of Petrovaradin should be, once again, a cornerstone of the Croatian community in Republic of Serbia.

The Memorial Home is situated in Novi Sad, a capital of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina in Republic of Serbia. Novi Sad is second Serbian city and a seat of many important cultural, academic, scientific and administration institution of our country. Vojvodina is a region with long tradition of multiculturalism and specific traditional qualities we would like to enrich through promoting and working with our cultural activities, in spite of the burden of 20<sup>th</sup> century.

The Memorial Home is the home of the National council of the Croatian national minority and the Bridge between the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Croatia and their people.

**The Ban Josip Jelačić Memorial Home Foundation will promote Ban Josip Jelačić** as an historical figure and note his achievements, maintain and promote tangible and intangible heritage of Petrovaradin and its people, promote the contemporary creativity of the Croatian people, strengthening capacity of Croatian community in Petrovaradin and Novi Sad, and promoting unity of the Serbian and Croatian nations.

The Ban Jelačić Memorial Home will be a place of good will and tolerance and build recognition and appreciation between the Croatian and Serbian shared heritage.