



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KIM LUND

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, American Red Cross month in March was first honored by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1943; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the compassion of people in the City of Bellingham and reaffirm our commitment to care for one another in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, this generous spirit is woven into the fabric of our community, advancing the humanitarian legacy of American Red Cross founder Clara Barton — one of the most honored women in our country's history — who nobly dedicated herself to alleviating suffering; and

WHEREAS, kindhearted individuals in our community today exemplify Barton's commitment as they step up through the American Red Cross NW Washington Chapter to provide a beacon of hope for our neighbors in need, and, through their voluntary and selfless contributions, they make a lifesaving difference in people's darkest hours — whether it's delivering shelter, food, and comfort during disasters; providing critical blood donations for hospital patients; supporting military families, veterans, and caregivers through the unique challenges of service; saving lives with first aid, CPR, and other skills; or delivering aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by global crises; and

WHEREAS, we hereby recognize this month of March in honor of all those who lead with their hearts to serve people in need, and we ask everyone to join in this commitment to strengthen our community

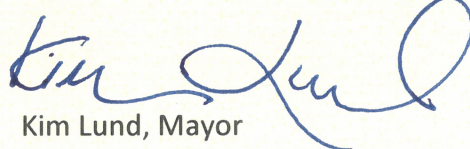
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Lund, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, Washington, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as

AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

in the City of Bellingham and encourage all citizens to support its humanitarian mission.



Signed this 12th day of February 2025


Kim Lund, Mayor