



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KELLI LINVILLE

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS 'Peace Flags in the Wind' is an international traveling art installation that uses art as a catalyst to bring peace, happiness and oneness into the world by asking the public to create a symbol representing their individual vision for their life's journey to peace; and

WHEREAS the art exhibit was founded and envisioned by internationally published artist and art educator Joseph Lawrence Vasile whose "One man's vision for peace, one flag at a time" concept has reached and inspired hundreds of thousands of people across six continents; and

WHEREAS the Center for Spiritual Living Bellingham is a thriving community of caring individuals providing spiritual support, connection and acceptance to those on a spiritual path. Their dedication to a global vision of creating a world that works for everyone where compassion, loving-kindness and a kinship with all life are the norm; aligns with the mission statement of 'Peace Flags in the Wind'. Hence an international collaboration is born and Dr. Andrea Asebedo and Joanne Allison are the catalyst to bring the exhibit from Myanmar to Bellingham; and

WHEREAS Mr. Vasile will present at the prestigious 14th Annual EARCOS 'Innovating Arts and Motion' Conferences in Manila Philippines. The presentation will consist of the art created in Bellingham along with a documentary on the journey of the Peace Flags around the globe; and

WHEREAS the flags created in Bellingham will be unveiled at YIS in Myanmar and travel to Vung Tu Vietnam with the Jade Buddha for Universal Peace; and join 11,000 existing creations that have been displayed at some of the most well respected museums, festivals and events across the globe including the Rosa Parks Museum, 2015's Parliament of the World Religions and the Museum of Contemporary Art.

NOW THEREFORE, DO I, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim February 6-10, 2016, to be

PEACE FLAGS IN THE WIND WEEK

in the City of Bellingham, Washington and welcome the community to join the Center for Spiritual Living in Bellingham in the observance of this day.



Signed this 20th day of January, 2016

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham