



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KELLI LINVILLE

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United Nations designated 2019 as the International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements, coinciding with the 150th anniversary of the discovery of the Periodic Table by Dmitry Mendeleev in 1869; and

WHEREAS, the development of the Periodic Table is one of the most significant achievements in science and a united scientific concept, with broad applications and implications in astronomy, chemistry, physics, biology and other natural sciences; and

WHEREAS, Bellingham residents' quality of life is enhanced when our understanding of the elements is applied to improve the human condition and to address challenges related to water, food, health, energy and security; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that young minds continue to be attracted to chemistry and other branches of science in order to develop the next generation of scientists, engineers and innovators; and

WHEREAS, the Periodic Table of Elements was a central product of Dmitry Mendeleev's educational work, and the City of Bellingham celebrates the transformative power of education; and

WHEREAS, the American Chemical Society is committed to improving people's lives through the transforming power of chemistry and advancing the broader chemistry enterprise and practitioners for the benefits of Earth and its people; and

WHEREAS, the American Chemical Society encourages its members in Washington state and the Nation to work with their colleagues to organize outreach activities to instill public appreciation of the Periodic Table and its contributions to the betterment of life on this planet.

NOW, THEREFORE, DO I, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim 2019 as the

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE PERIODIC TABLE

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.



Signed this 28th of August, 2019

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham