



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
KELLI LINVILLE

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The second annual Bellingham Northwest Wine Festival (BNWWF) is a week-long wine tasting event held the first week of August. Event vendors and attendees include Washington, Oregon, Idaho and British Columbia wineries, local restaurants, hotels and wine enthusiasts from around the region; and

WHEREAS BNWWF is a volunteer driven event and proceeds raised during the Public Grand Tasting on August 5, 2017, will benefit Lydia Place, Growing Veterans, Our Tree House, Pass-the-Hat and Brigadoon Service Dogs Veteran's Programs; and

WHEREAS Some BNWWF events include Barkley Village Wine Walk, Bellingham Art District Wine Walk, Fairhaven Wine Walk, Public Grand Tasting and Wine Medal Award Presentation in the Grand Ballroom at Four Points by Sheraton. Events will conclude with a 5-Course Gold, Double Gold and Best Show Wine Dinner at 9Restaurant at North Bellingham Golf Course; and

WHEREAS BNWWF wine competition judging will occur on July 7 & 8, 2017. The panel of judges includes local owners, wine enthusiasts and industry professionals, the publisher of Wine Press Northwest, wine director from Walter Clore Wine and Culinary Center, and a certified sommelier. Bronze, silver, gold, double gold medals and Best of Show trophy will be awarded at the public tasting event on August 5, 2017; and

WHEREAS the community-based and consumer friendly structure of the event makes it notably unique amongst northwest wine festivals. BNWWF is the only adjudicated wine festival between Vancouver B.C. and Seattle, Washington, making the BNWWF event a destination activity that draws tourists to Bellingham and Whatcom County. The BNWWF is made available, in part, by generous grants from the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County, and is organized and produced by Whatcom Beer and Wine Foundation.

NOW THEREFORE, DO I, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim July 31 through August 6, 2017, to be

BELLINGHAM WINE WEEK

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.



Signed this 1st day of March, 2017

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham