

## MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS** The fourth annual Bellingham Northwest Wine Festival (BNWWF) is a one day wine food tasting event held the second Saturday of August. This event draws hundreds of tourists to Bellingham; and

**WHEREAS** BNWWF is a volunteer-driven event and net proceeds raised during the Public Grand Tasting on August 10, 2019 will benefit Make.Shift KZAX Radio and the Alzheimer's Association of Washington; and

WHEREAS the BNWWF Public Grand Tasting includes eight Bellingham and Whatcom County restaurants the Public Grand Tasting and Wine Medal Awards Presentation in the Grand Ballroom at Four Points by Sheraton, events conclude with a 5-Course Gold, Double Gold & Best of Show Wine Dinner at 9Restuarant at North Bellingham Golf Course; and

**WHEREAS** BNWWF wine competition judging will occur on July 12 & 13, 2019. The panel of judges include local business owners, wine enthusiasts, and wine industry professionals. Bronze, silver, gold, double gold medals and a Best of Show trophy will be awarded at the public tasting event on August 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS the community-based consumer friendly structure of the event makes it notably unique among 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 a grant from the City of Bellingham, and is organized and produced by Whatcom Beer and Wine Foundation.

**NOW THEREFORE, DO I,** Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim August 3-10, 2019, to be

## **BELLINGHAM WINE WEEK**

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.

Signed this 26th day of April, 2019

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Kelli Linville, Mayor City of Bellingham