



Joint Proclamation



WHEREAS, each September 21, we observe The International Day of Peace ("Peace Day") around the world; and

WHEREAS, established in 1981 by unanimous United Nations Resolution 36/37, the General Assembly has declared this a day devoted to "commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples;" and

WHEREAS, the theme for the 2017 United Nations Peace Day observance is "Together for Peace: Respect, Safety and Dignity for All;" and

WHEREAS, The International Day of Peace has been commemorated in the City of Bellingham since 2003 with a community event organized by the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center celebrates 15 years of peace and justice activism and education throughout Whatcom County; and

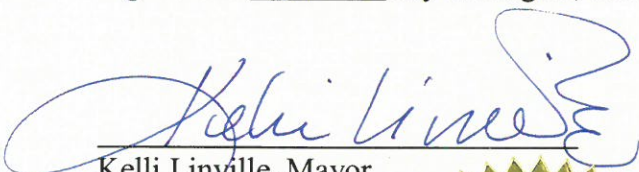
WHEREAS, the community is invited to commemorate International Day of Peace with an event on Thursday, September 21 at The Majestic at 1027 North Forest Street starting at 6:00 p.m.

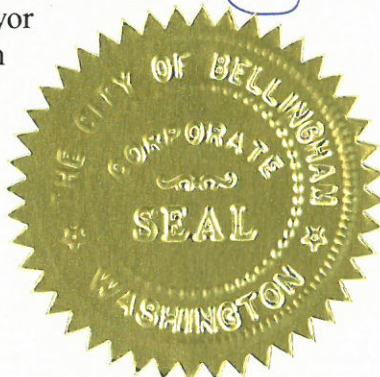
NOW, THEREFORE, DO WE, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, and Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive, do hereby proclaim September 21, 2017 to be

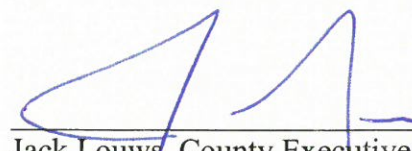
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

in the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County.

Signed this 31st day of August, 2017


Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham




Jack Louws, County Executive
County of Whatcom

