
Council Meeting Date: October 12, 2009

Agenda Item: 2(a)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation of "Disability Awareness Month"
DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK
PRESENTED BY: Scott Passey, City Clerk

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

The City of Shoreline joins other jurisdictions in recognizing the demonstrated benefits of a diverse workforce and experiences every day the valuable contributions of employees, volunteers, and citizens with disabilities. This proclamation recognizes the month of October 2009 as "Disability Awareness Month" in the City of Shoreline and urges everyone to reaffirm our determination to achieve a society that affords independence, equality, and dignity for all.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required. This item is intended for information only and to bring awareness to a City-wide issue.

Approved By: City Manager  City Attorney ____



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of October has been designated by the United States Congress as National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Washington Law Against Discrimination promote independence, empowerment, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, reducing physical barriers can often be easily achieved, while changing our misperceptions and rejecting stereotypes can create the greatest opportunities for all, including those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline joins other jurisdictions in recognizing the demonstrated benefits of a diverse workforce and experiences every day the valuable contributions of its employees, volunteers, and citizens with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, breaking down barriers requires cooperative, sustained, and consistent effort; and we must work together to ensure that people with disabilities can participate fully in the workplace and all aspects of community life; and

WHEREAS, we must continue to work for a community where all individuals are respected for who they are, celebrated for their abilities, and encouraged to realize their full potential and achieve their dreams;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cindy Ryu, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, hereby proclaim October 2009, as

DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

in the City of Shoreline and urge everyone to join us in reaffirming our determination to achieve a society that affords independence, equality, and dignity for all.

Cindy Ryu, Mayor