Council Meeting Date: October 5, 2015 Agenda Item: 2(a)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Proclamation of Great Washington ShakeOut Day		
DEPARTMENT:	Community Services Division, Office of Emergency Management		
PRESENTED BY:	Rob Beem, Community Services Manager		
ACTION:	Ordinance	Resolution	Motion
	Discussion	Public Hearing	X Proclamation

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

Every year disasters disrupt the lives of thousands throughout the United States. Being prepared for such emergencies can reduce fear, anxiety and losses that might otherwise occur.

Within Washington State, there is heightened awareness of the risk of significant earthquake activity. The first step to surviving and recovering from an earthquake is being prepared to take cover during the initial shaking. Annually, communities across Washington State participate in the Great Washington ShakeOut. More information about the Great Washington ShakeOut can be found at: www.shakeout.org/washington.

The Great Washington ShakeOut earthquake drill will take place at 10:15 a.m. October 15, 2015. By participating in this drill, Shoreline residents can practice Drop-Cover-Hold procedures and assess their personal readiness and understanding of how to enhance their safety.

Mr. Chuck Goodwin, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator with the Shoreline School District, will be in attendance to receive the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION

The mayor should read the proclamation and present a copy to Chuck Goodwin, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator of Shoreline Public Schools.

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment A – Great ShakeOut Day Proclamation

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **MK**

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Washington State and the Pacific Coast are subject to periodic winter storms and potentially earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, being prepared for such emergencies can reduce fear, anxiety and losses that might otherwise occur; and

WHEREAS, all Shoreline residents should increase their knowledge and awareness of emergency preparedness actions they can take to make themselves and their families self-sufficient for at least a week following a natural or personmade disaster; and

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2015 at 10:15 a.m., communities across the State will participate in an earthquake drill, called The Great Washington ShakeOut 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City will participate in The Great Washington ShakeOut 2015 by practicing "Drop, Cover and Hold" to increase employees' and the organizations' readiness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shari Winstead, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim October, 15, 2015 as

GREAT SHAKEOUT DAY

in the City of Shoreline and urge all our citizens and businesses to participate in the Great Washington ShakeOut and implement emergency preparedness measures at home, at work, and in their vehicles as part of the overall emergency preparedness programs of our community and our state.

Shari Winstead, Mayor