Council Meeting Date: May 16, 2016 Agenda Item: 2(a)
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#### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Proclamation of 2016 Armed Services Appreciation Day		
DEPARTMENT:	CMO/CCK		
PRESENTED BY:	Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk		
ACTION:	Ordinance Resolution Motion		
	Discussion Public Hearing _X_ Proclamation		

#### **PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

Each year, on the third Saturday in the month of May, the nation celebrates Armed Services Appreciation Day (Armed Forces Day). First observed on May 20, 1950, Armed Services Appreciation Day honors Americans serving in the five U.S. military branches – the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard. The month of May is identified as the month of patriotism, as America also celebrates Victory in Europe (VE) Day, Military Spouse Day, Loyalty Day, the National Day of Prayer, and Memorial Day. This proclamation acknowledges the important sacrifices that members of the United States military and their families make to our City and nation to ensure freedom and liberty for all citizens.

This year, Armed Services Appreciation Day falls on Saturday, May 21, 2016. Dwight Stevens and members of Shoreline Veterans Association will be on hand to accept the proclamation and invite everyone to attend the Veterans Recognition Plaza Dedication on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. on the City Hall lawn.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council declare May 21, 2016 Armed Services Appreciation Day in the City of Shoreline.

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



## **PROCLAMATION**

- WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline desires to express appreciation to our fellow citizens who have been called upon to perform their military duties, wherever they may be; and
- WHEREAS, the members of the United States Armed Services have carried out their duties and missions with excellence, patriotism and bravery; and
- WHEREAS, thousands of United States troops have sacrificed their lives in service to their country in current and recent military campaigns; and
- WHEREAS, the families of the United States military personnel have also sacrificed while providing support for their loved ones engaged in military operations; and
- WHEREAS, United States troops continue to serve by protecting the citizens of many nations throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS, the Shoreline City Council urges Shoreline residents to recognize the important sacrifice of members of the United States military and their families to our City and nation;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shari Winstead, Deputy Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim May 21, 2016 as

# ARMED SERVICES APPRECIATION DAY

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		Shari Winstead, Deputy Mayor

in the City of Shoreline.