

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**  
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<b>AGENDA TITLE:</b>	Proclamation of America Recycles Day		
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Public Works		
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Randy Witt, Public Works Director Rika Cecil, Environmental Services Analyst		
<b>ACTION:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Motion
	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proclamation

**PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

This proclamation recognizes November 15, 2017, as America Recycles Day in the City of Shoreline. Throughout the month of November, it calls upon residents and businesses to celebrate this 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of America Recycles Day, and the significant contribution that everyone in our community contributes to conserve resources and protect our environment by reducing waste; recycling and reusing materials; and purchasing items made from recycled materials.

Meridian Park Elementary School is one example of the success that students and staff can achieve by improving recycling and reducing waste at their school. Between September 2016 and January 2017, the school increased their recycling rate 10% by collecting recyclable and compostable materials in the cafeteria. All grade levels monitored recycling and waste stations during lunch periods, and second-grade students came in early to help kindergarteners with their lunches, in addition to their own. Waste reduction and recycling reminders and successes were included in lunch announcements, and teachers posted student assignments on their teacher webpages instead of printing them on paper.

Tonight, Meridian Park Elementary School Green Team students, Principal David Tadlock, Lunch Room Monitor Sheryl Skoglund, and PSTA President Callie Steward will receive this Proclamation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is requested that Mayor Roberts read the America Recycles Day Proclamation.

**ATTACHMENT:**

Attachment A – America Recycles Day 2017 Proclamation

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



## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a healthy natural environment is the foundation of a vigorous society and a robust economy; and

WHEREAS, the City encourages the protection of our natural resources and the adoption of habits that promote a sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS, schools can be leaders in waste reduction and recycling; and

WHEREAS, students inspire each other, their families and their community to actively recycle, reuse items, and purchase products made from recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, America Recycles Day offers every individual an opportunity to recycle and protect our natural resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christopher Roberts, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2017, as

## AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

in the City of Shoreline, and call upon all citizens to celebrate this special occasion by thanking our students, residents, and businesses for their hard work and significant contribution in protecting our environment.

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Christopher Roberts, Mayor