

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation Declaring Safe Shoreline Month
DEPARTMENT: Office of Emergency Management
Shoreline Police Department
PRESENTED BY: Jason McMillan, Emergency Management Coordinator
Paula Bates, Shoreline Police Community Outreach Officer
ACTION: ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☐ Motion
 ☐ Discussion ☐ Public Hearing ☒ Proclamation

ISSUE STATEMENT:

Every year disasters and local emergencies disrupt the lives of thousands throughout the United States. Being prepared for such incidents can reduce fear, anxiety and losses that might otherwise occur. Preparation also helps the community recover and get back to normal. To highlight emergency preparedness, the month of October has been declared "Washington State Disaster Preparedness Month".

The vitality of our City depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, and the community. Crime and the fear of crime destroy our trust in others. To remind our residents to stay vigilant about community safety and crime prevention, the month of October has also been declared "National Crime Prevention Month".

Given the confluence of these awareness campaigns, the City is proclaiming the month of October as Safe Shoreline Month. This proclamation highlights the proactive and innovative work the City is doing in the areas of policing and emergency management. Programs such as Ready Shoreline, Map Your Neighborhood, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Shoreline Watch, R.A.D.A.R., and Nurturing Trust bring City staff, police, and the community together to focus on building trusted relationships and strong, prepared neighborhoods.

Community members and business are encouraged to implement preparedness and prevention measures and to participate in these City sponsored programs. Accepting the proclamation on behalf of the City are Emergency Management Coordinator Jason McMillan and Community Outreach Officer Paula Bates.

RECOMMENDATION

The Mayor should read and present the proclamation.

Approved By: City Manager **DT** City Attorney **JA-T**



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline places a high priority on the safety and security of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has established a Goal to “promote and enhance the city’s safe community and neighborhood programs and initiatives”; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Police Department have established Shoreline Watch, Nurturing Trust and the R.A.D.A.R programs, among others initiatives, to engage the community in crime prevention activities and provide policing that is responsive to residents’ mental health needs; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Office of Emergency Management focuses on community preparedness by training residents to be ready for disasters with the Ready Shoreline, Map Your Neighborhood and Community Emergency Response Team programs; and

WHEREAS, the month of October has been declared “Washington State Disaster Preparedness Month” and “National Crime Prevention Month”;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2018 as

SAFE SHORELINE MONTH

in the City of Shoreline and urge all our citizens to implement emergency preparedness and crime prevention measures at home, at work, and in their vehicles and to participate with their neighbors in emergency preparedness and crime prevention activities.

Will Hall, Mayor