

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Proclamation Declaring Safe Shoreline Month		
DEPARTMENT:	Recreation, Cultural and Community Services		
PRESENTED BY:	Ryan Zavala, Emergency Management Coordinator		
ACTION:	<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

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 as well as help the community's resiliency to such events. Additionally, the vitality of our City depends on how safe and prepared we keep our homes, businesses, neighborhoods, and schools. Community members and business are encouraged to implement personal and community preparedness and crime prevention measures as well as participate in City sponsored programs such as the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), the Shoreline Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS), Shoreline Watch, and RADAR.

To highlight emergency preparedness, the month of September has been declared "National Preparedness Month". To remind our citizens 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 to bring staff, police, and the community members together to focus on building trusted relationships in strong, prepared, and resilient neighborhoods.

RECOMMENDATION

The Mayor should read and present the proclamation.

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



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 community safety, healthy neighborhoods, and a coordinated response to homelessness and individuals in behavioral health crisis”; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Police Department has established Shoreline Watch and the RADAR program, among other initiatives, to engage the community in crime prevention activities and provide policing that is responsive to residents’ mental health needs; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline Emergency Management program focuses on community preparedness by training residents to be ready for disasters with the Ready Shoreline, Auxiliary Communications Service, and Community Emergency Response Team programs; and

WHEREAS, the month of September and October have been declared “National Preparedness Month” and “National Crime Prevention Month”, respectively;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith Scully, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2022 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.

Keith Scully, Mayor