Council Meeting Date: September 8, 2008 Agenda Item: 2(a)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation of "Constitution Week"

DEPARTMENT: CMO/CCK

PRESENTED BY: Scott Passey, City Clerk

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

In 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law #915, on August 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Constitution Week is commemorated September 17 - 23.

This proclamation declares the week of September 17-23, 2008 as Constitution Week and urges all citizens to study the Constitution, reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

A member of the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be at the meeting to accept the proclamation.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required.

Approved By:

City Manager City Attorney



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, September 17, 2008, marks the two hundred twenty-first anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and
- WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and
- WHEREAS, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week; and
- WHEREAS, It is the privilege and duty of the American people to commemorate the two hundred twenty-first anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America with appropriate ceremonies and activities; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law;
- NOW, THEREFORE I, Cindy Ryu, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and urge all citizens to study the Constitution, and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

Cindy Ryu, Mayor, City of Shoreline