PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, registering to vote empowers eligible citizens to exercise their right to vote on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia is committed to strengthening democracy by encouraging voter registration and increasing participation in all elections; and

WHEREAS, civic-minded people and organizations have collaborated to establish September 27, 2016 as NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY; and

WHEREAS, the goal for the 2016 National Voter Registration Day is to create awareness of elections and motivate eligible citizens to vote in coming months; and

WHEREAS, the strength of our democracy depends on the willingness of our citizens to participate by choosing the people who will lead us and by voicing their opinions on important matters that will come before the voters on Election Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council hereby recognizes September 27, 2016 as NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY in Olympia, and encourages all eligible city residents to register to vote.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, THIS 20^{TH} DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2016.

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

Cheryl Selby Mayor