

PROCLAMATION

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman started her tenure at the City as an intern working on climate change issues and has devoted herself to helping the City solve its most challenging issues ever since; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem served on the Olympia Planning Commission for xx years where she championed the Olympia community's long-term vision for social, economic and environmental sustainability; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman initiated new programs and changes to City services so working families, seniors, and other vulnerable households could reduce housing costs; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman championed public support and was a co-chair of the Home Fund, a voter-approved levy that now funds \$2.3 million in homeless services and affordable housing construction each year; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman advocated for Olympia at the State Legislature which resulted in new local funds for Affordable and Supportive Housing through House Bill 1406; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman cares deeply about listening to and elevating the voices of marginalized community members and champions innovative and inclusive outreach and engagement methods to ensure typically underrepresented community members have influence over the City's decision-making; and

Whereas Mayor Pro Tem Bateman was instrumental in discussions with the community and drafting of the resolution that declared Olympia a Sanctuary City; and

Whereas, City Council, staff, community members and stakeholders thank Mayor Pro Tem Bateman for diligence in working to make Olympia a more inclusive and fair community for all; and

Whereas, while we will miss her, we look forward to her future support for local governments and seeing the incredible things she will accomplish as State Representative of the 22nd Legislative District; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council does hereby honor

***JESSICA BATEMAN FOR HER SERVICE
TO THE RESIDENTS OF OLYMPIA***

and wish her continued success as she begins her tenure at the State Legislature.

***SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 15th DAY OF
DECEMBER 2020.***

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

***Cheryl Selby
Mayor***