

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the preservation of the uniquely rich history of Olympia, through written word, sites, and artifacts is important as Washington State's Capital City; and

WHEREAS, the Olympia Historical Society (established in 2001) and Bigelow House Museum (established in 1992), merged in 2013 to become the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum and is the leader in preserving Olympia's history; and

WHEREAS, the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum is a non-profit volunteer organization actively engaged in promoting Olympia's history through activities ranging from the administration of the Bigelow House Museum; educational presentations; walking tours of the downtown; yearly tours of historic homes throughout the City; leadership in the establishment of a Thurston County Historical Journal (published by the Olympia Tumwater Foundation) and the pursuit of a history museum and archive facility downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has a longstanding policy of promoting and supporting the preservation of Olympia's rich history through coordinated efforts by the Olympia City Council, City staff, and the Heritage Commission, along with community organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia looks forward to many years of working with the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum in the further preservation and enhancement of Olympia's heritage; and

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

OLYMPIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND BIGELOW HOUSE MUSEUM

for its leadership and exceptional contributions to the preservation and enhancement of the history of the City of Olympia.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 19th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019.

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

***Cheryl Selby
Mayor***