

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, cities are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 50,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impacts and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Services shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and mayors across the country for the Mayor Recognition Day for National Service on April 4, 2017;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Cheryl Selby, Mayor of the City of Olympia, do hereby proclaim April 4, 2017 as

NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY

and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our country, to thank those who serve, and to find ways to give back to their communities.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 28th DAY OF MARCH, 2017.

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

*Cheryl Selby
Mayor*