

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, access to safe, affordable housing is critical for our lowest income citizens including and especially seniors, those with disabilities and families; and

WHEREAS, currently in Washington State, only 29 low-income housing units are available for every 100 low-income households, reflecting the staggering need for more affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies demonstrate the significant positive impacts safe and stable housing has on the mental and physical health of children and adults alike; and

WHEREAS, Homes First is a long-established provider of safe, healthy, and affordable housing in our community; and

WHEREAS, Homes First has housed over 5,000 people in Olympia and Thurston County, in scattered sites throughout our neighborhoods, helping tenants connect with the community in positive ways; and

WHEREAS, Homes First continues to create innovative partnerships to best build community and increase affordable, supportive housing options; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council recognizes the 30th anniversary of

HOMES FIRST IN THURSTON COUNTY

and their work to provide safe, healthy and affordable housing in our community.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 14th DAY OF JANUARY 2020.

OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL

*Cheryl Selby
Mayor*