## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a recent Harris poll found that 79% of Americans support community planning and that 75% of all Americans agree that engaging citizens through local planning is essential to economic recovery and job creation; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all our citizens to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of our community; and

WHEREAS, the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the many contributions that community planning and implementation make to the quality of life, economic prosperity and environmental quality of American communities; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize and thank our citizens who serve our community as members of our planning commission/planning board; and

WHEREAS, this celebration also provides the opportunity to recognize and thank our professional planning staff for their technical competence, ethical commitment, and dedication to public service; and

WHEREAS, this celebration also provides an opportunity to encourage our citizens to learn about and engage with the City's planning efforts that will keep our community a great place to live, work, and play.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olympia City Council does hereby proclaim the month of October, 2012 as

## **COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH**

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012.

**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL** 

Stephen H. Buxbaum Mayor