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## City Council

### Special Recognition - Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum

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**Title**

Special Recognition - Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum

**Recommended Action**

**Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

**City Manager Recommendation:**

Recognize Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum for their contributions to preserve and promote the rich heritage of Olympia, Washington State's capital city.

**Report**

**Issue:**

Whether to recognize the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum for their contributions to preserve and promote the rich heritage of Olympia, Washington State's capital city.

**Staff Contact:**

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**Presenter(s):**

Shirley Battan, President, Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum

Karen Johnson, Editor, Thurston County Historical Journal

**Background and Analysis:**

The Olympia Historical Society was founded in 2001 with the vision to collect and preserve Olympia area historical resources, from family attic treasures to architectural gems, and to find ways to make that history accessible and available to the public. The Bigelow House Preservation Association was formed in 1992, dedicated to preservation of Bigelow House and interpretation of local and regional history. In December 2013, the memberships of both organizations voted to merge and become the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum (Society and Museum).

The Council will recognize the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum for their contributions to preserve and promote the rich heritage of Olympia, Washington State's capital city.

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**Attachments:**

Proclamation