

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION HONORING GOVERNOR CHRIS GREGOIRE FOR HER 20 YEARS OF ELECTED OFFICE IN WASHINGTON STATE, INCLUDING EIGHT YEARS AS GOVERNOR, AND THE MANY BENEFITS OF HER LEADERSHIP TO THE PEOPLE OF SEATTLE.

WHEREAS, wise voters elected Chris Gregoire to be Washington Attorney General in 1992 and elected her to be Governor of Washington State in 2004, as only the second woman to serve in that position; and

WHEREAS, in her time as chief executive of the Evergreen State, Governor Gregoire has been a strong voice for Washington State in the global marketplace, leading multiple trade missions and visits to major aerospace tradeshows, the benefits of which can be seen in the jobs and products fueling prosperity in Puget Sound; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gregoire has worked ceaselessly toward securing sustainable funding for transportation, including funding for local-level roads and major city bridge and road repairs; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gregoire has been a committed advocate when it comes to replacing major infrastructure in Seattle, like the State Highway 99 Viaduct and the State Route 520 Floating Bridge; and

WHEREAS, Seattle students enjoy better chances for success thanks to Governor Gregoire's demonstrated commitment to education reforms that yield improved education, including establishment of the state's first Department of Early Learning; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gregoire's openness speaking about her support of marriage equality, a Seattle legislative priority, and her leadership in pressing for votes in the legislature were indispensable in the bill's passage in the 2012 legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle City Council and Mayor have enjoyed working with Governor Gregoire, debating with Governor Gregoire, and winning together with Governor Gregoire during her time as governor and thank her for her years of public and community service; and

WHEREAS, we know Governor Gregoire will spend the final months of her term working tirelessly for the people of Washington State; and

WHEREAS, while we doubt Governor Gregoire is truly retiring from public service, we do hope she will enjoy unpressured time and spend at least some of it enjoying the sights and experiences of a grateful Seattle;

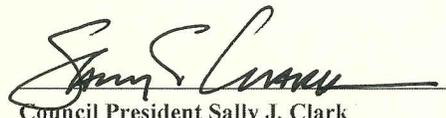
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL, THE MAYOR
CONCURRING, THAT

SEPTEMBER 23 - 29, 2012 IS "GOVERNOR CHRIS GREGOIRE WEEK" IN SEATTLE

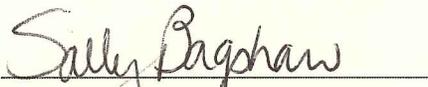
AND ALL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO
CELEBRATE HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND CONGRATULATE HER.



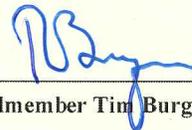
Mayor Mike McGinn



Council President Sally J. Clark



Councilmember Sally Bagshaw



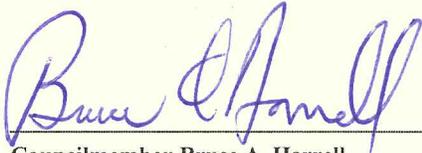
Councilmember Tim Burgess



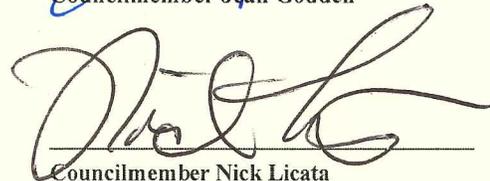
Councilmember Richard Conlin



Councilmember Jean Godden



Councilmember Bruce A. Harrell



Councilmember Nick Licata



Councilmember Mike O'Brien



Councilmember Tom Rasmussen