## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

Helping Link - Một Dấu Nối was founded in 1993 to help meet the needs of the local Vietnamese American community, with a special focus on helping immigrant and refugee families smoothly and successfully make the transition to life in the United States; and

WHEREAS,

Helping Link - Một Dấu Nối provides educational, social and community services including cultural events, referral services and classes in computer technology, citizenship, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESL) and Vietnamese language; and

WHEREAS,

Helping Link - Một Dấu Nối also works to preserve Vietnamese heritage and values through programs that encourage full bilingualism, foster interactions between young people and elders and honor Vietnamese cultural traditions; and

WHEREAS,

through the hard work of hundreds of dedicated volunteers and the thousands of hours of service they have provided, Helping Link - Môt Dấu Nối has delivered essential social programs to more than 20,000 people in the Vietnamese community for the past 26 years and worked to create a path forward for Vietnamese youth, elders and families to fulfill their potential; and

WHEREAS.

the City of Seattle is grateful to Helping Link - Một Dâu Nối for all it has done to make our City more just, vibrant and inclusive;

NOW, THEREFORE I, JENNY A. DURKAN, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 26, 2019 TO BE

Helping Link - Một Dấu Nối Day

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