

Clerk File No. 310419

The City of Seattle – Legislative Department

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A Proclamation by the Seattle City Council and Mayor Michael McGinn declaring January 2010 to be Mentoring Month.

Committee Action:

Date	Recommendation	Vote

Related Legislation File: _____

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Full Council Action:

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January 28, 2010
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Title:A Proclamation by Mayor Michael McGinn, the Seattle City Council concurring, declaring January 2010 to be Mentoring Month.

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PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, everyone remembers someone special – a neighbor, teacher, relative or friend who broadened our horizons and made a big difference in our lives; and
- WHEREAS, as we reflect upon how we have benefited from a caring, responsible adult who provided guidance, direction, and a sense of reassurance about our future, we have an opportunity to return the favor and mentor a child – in whatever way possible; and
- WHEREAS, everyone recognizes the future of our neighborhoods and communities rest in the hands of today's youth – those who will be tomorrow's leaders; and
- WHEREAS, everyone agrees that children need a foundation of support and positive reinforcement that will help them become educated, confident and productive citizens; and
- WHEREAS, every adult has something to offer -- a few hours, a couple of times a month, can make a big difference in a child's life; and
- WHEREAS, there is a strong need for male mentors to become school and community based mentors in the city of Seattle; and
- WHEREAS, mentorship makes positive contributions to adults and youth in our community and is part of the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative to end youth violence in the city of Seattle; and
- WHEREAS, mentoring organizations in the city of Seattle have provided thousands of youth with successful mentoring matches; and
- WHEREAS, January has been designated as National Mentoring Month and is a call for adults across America to get involved with mentoring programs.

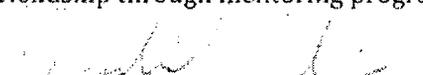
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL AND
MAYOR MICHAEL MCGINN, THAT JANUARY 2010 IS

Mentoring Month

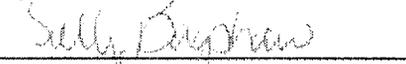
in the city of Seattle. We call upon public officials, businesses, public and private agencies, religious and community leaders, educators and all Seattleites to support mentoring and give young people in our community the gift of time and friendship through mentoring programs.



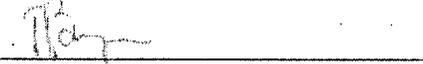
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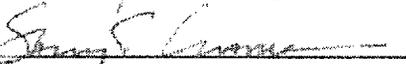
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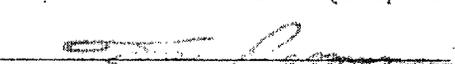
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