

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, all people should have access to safe, healthy, and affordable homes within communities of opportunity; and

WHEREAS, the most recent Point In Time Count found 251 people in our community sleeping outdoors without shelter in January of 2018, and 3500 families are considered "housing insecure," because they are spending more than half of their income on a mortgage or rent & utilities; and

WHEREAS, there were 315 students identified as homeless during the 2017-18 school year by the Shoreline School District; and

WHEREAS, the All Home community identifies affordable housing as a critical component of making homelessness rare, brief, and one-time; and

WHEREAS, everyone benefits from affordable housing, including the people who reside in these properties, their neighbors, businesses, employers, and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Washington Cities determined that enhancing efforts to increase affordable housing, decrease homelessness, and improve a strained behavioral health system was a critical priority for the 2019 Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, united in an effort to raise public awareness, communities throughout King County are participating in local Affordable Housing Week efforts to inform the public of the critical need to preserve and increase affordable housing in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline endorses the goals, objectives, and purposes of Affordable Housing Week, and in doing so, recommits itself to ensuring that our community thrives with opportunity, and that all people in it live with dignity in safe, healthy, and affordable homes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Shoreline does hereby proclaim the week of May 13-17, 2019, as

AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK



Will Hall, Mayor