



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the benefits of participation in instrumental music at any age can last a lifetime, and research now shows that students who participate in instrumental music programs tend to do better in math, science, history, reading, writing, international languages, and other academic disciplines; and

WHEREAS, the cost of owning or renting an instrument is a barrier preventing students from low income families from participating in instrumental music; and

WHEREAS, many adults have lovingly-used musical instruments stored in their garages or attics that they no longer use; and

WHEREAS, Music4Life is a non-profit organization that has been repairing and providing ready-to-play instruments to participating public school districts for use by students of low income families since 2007; and

WHEREAS, Music4Life guarantees that all instruments will be used exclusively for the benefit of students in the school district in which they are donated; and has provided approximately 3,500 musical instruments to children in the greater Seattle area, including those Shoreline Public Schools, in addition to nearly 10,000 recorders to very young students;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, do hereby proclaim May 2020 as

Music4Life Month

in the City of Shoreline and encourage all our citizens to donate any lovingly used musical instruments they may have to Music4Life and provide what financial support they can to this fine home-grown organization.



Will Hall, Mayor