



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Welcoming Week is a national initiative to promote connections between recent immigrants, refugees, and long-time neighbors to build stronger communities; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the Duwamish and other Coast Salish indigenous peoples were the original “welcomers” and upon whose lands we now call home; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline population is home to people of increasingly diverse backgrounds, including 30% of residents are people of color, and 20% of residents are foreign born; and

WHEREAS, new residents are vital to Shoreline in sharing different perspectives, establishing businesses, serving in civic roles, and working in critical industries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline recognizes we must work to undo historical and systemic racism, xenophobia, and other oppressions that contribute to inequity to create a welcoming city; and

WHEREAS, the Shoreline City Council is committed to ensuring that Shoreline is a welcoming, inclusive, and safe community for all; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Will Hall, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, recognize that September 12-19, 2020 was

WELCOMING WEEK

in the City of Shoreline and encourage residents to ensure that all feel welcome all days of the year.



Will Hall, Mayor