

CITY OF EVERETT



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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Everett, Washington aspires to protect Puget Sound and its tributaries which are the source of our communities' wellbeing, health, economy and quality of life;

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the original inhabitants of this place, the sduhubš people and their successors, the Tulalip Tribes, who have stewarded this land from time immemorial;

AND, a healthy and vibrant Puget Sound defines our Northwest culture, as do our indigenous people's stories, our tribal Treaty responsibilities, and our shared legacy for future generations;

WHEREAS, the health of Puget Sound is declining, and creatures and plants great and small, from our bull kelp forests and salmon, to our orcas and shellfish are at risk from the human impacts of stormwater runoff, loss of natural habitats, and a changing climate;

AND, we all have the power to protect our Puget Sound treasure, work together to discover and take clean water actions through the Puget Sound Starts Here campaign;

WHEREAS, in the month of September City of Everett will join with other governing bodies, organizations and community groups to strengthen stewardship of our shared watershed and encourage all to take action to improve the health of Puget Sound.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cassie Franklin, Mayor of the City of Everett, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2022 as

PUGET SOUND STARTS HERE MONTH

I urge residents to support clean water and healthy habitat by joining me in this special observance and discover how to make a difference and be part of the solution.

Signed this 31 day of August, 2022

Mayor Cassie Franklin

