Joint Proclamation

WHEREAS, administrative professionals, including secretaries, administrative assistants, executive assistants, office managers and other administrative support staff, make up one of the largest segments of the world's workforce; and

WHEREAS, International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) is the acknowledged leader in assigning office professionals with personal and professional growth, and the Bellingham Chapter is committed to office professionals in our local community through education, programs and networking; and

WHEREAS, in April, IAAP and other members of our community will celebrate the substantial contributions of these dedicated members of our business community; and

WHEREAS, IAAP World Headquarters chose the theme "Be the One" for this year; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 61st anniversary of Administrative Professionals Week, formerly known as National Secretaries Week, which was founded in 1952 to recognize the contributions of office support staff in business and government and to attract people to secretarial careers; and

WHEREAS, the week of April 22nd through April 28th has been designated as Administrative Professionals' Week by International Association of Administrative Professionals, its founder and sponsor;

NOW, THEREfore, DO We, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, and Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive, proclaim the week of April 22nd through April 28th, 2013 to be

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS' WEEK

in the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County, and ask that management in our community join in recognizing these outstanding professionals in their employ.

Signed this 15th day of April, 2013.

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham

Jack Louws, Executive
Whatcom County