



CITY OF BELLINGHAM  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
KELLI LINVILLE

## MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS** The Third annual Bellingham Northwest Wine Festival (BNWWF) is a one day wine food tasting event held the first Saturday of August. This event draws hundreds of tourists to Bellingham; and

**WHEREAS** BNWWF is a volunteer-driven event and net proceeds raised during the Public Grand Tasting on August 4, 2018 will benefit Lydia Place, Growing Alliances, Our Tree House, Make.Shift KZAX Radio Literacy Programs; and

**WHEREAS** the BNWWF Public Grand Tasting includes nine Bellingham and Whatcom County restaurants the Public Grand Tasting and Wine Medal Awards Presentation in the Grand Ballroom at Four Points by Sheraton, events conclude with a 5-Course Gold, Double Gold & Best of Show Wine Dinner at 9Restuarant at North Bellingham Golf Course; and

**WHEREAS** BNWWF wine competition judging will occur on July 6 & 7, 2018. The panel of judges include local business owners, wine enthusiasts, and wine industry professionals, the publisher of Wine Press Northwest, and a certified sommelier from The Bellwether Hotel. Bronze, silver, gold, double gold medals and a Best of Show trophy will be awarded at the public tasting event on August 4, 2018; and

**WHEREAS** the community-based consumer friendly structure of the event makes it notably unique among Northwest wine festivals. BNWWF is the only adjudicated wine festival between Vancouver B.C. and Seattle Washington, making the BNWWF event a destination activity that draws tourists to Bellingham and Whatcom County. The BNWWF is made available, in part, by a grant from the City of Bellingham, and is organized and produced by Whatcom Beer and Wine Foundation.

**NOW THEREFORE, DO I**, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim July 29 through August 4, 2018, to be

## BELLINGHAM WINE WEEK

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.

Signed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018



Kelli Linville, Mayor  
City of Bellingham