MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Bellingham is defined by our waterfront, and Bellingham SeaFeast represents everything positive about our corner of the Pacific Northwest – to eat, play and explore the abundance of our Salish Sea; and

WHEREAS, it is important for our community to celebrate the beauty of our land and appreciate the resources we have and understand the responsibility of being good stewards for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry is alive and well in Whatcom County, providing 1,781 direct jobs earning $94.5 million in wages, as well as countless indirect jobs generated by the purchases of products and services by the commercial fishing industry; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the commercial fishing and seafood industry, Port of Bellingham, City of Bellingham, The Bellingham Whatcom Chamber of Commerce, Allied Arts of Whatcom County, Lummi Nation, as well as numerous proactive citizens, organizations and businesses helped to organize Bellingham SeaFeast events; and

WHEREAS, Bellingham SeaFeast, is a showcase event for our community to come together to celebrate our maritime heritage through one-of-a-kind experiences involving food, music, film, art, poetry, and more!

NOW THEREFORE, DO I, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim September 22, 2018, to be

BELLINGHAM SEAFEAST DAY

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.

Signed this 17th Day of September, 2018

Kelli Linville, Mayor
City of Bellingham