



CITY OF BELLINGHAM  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
DAN PIKE

## MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the control of litter and litter prevention is vitally important to the quality of life in Bellingham; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens and businesses and the Bellingham City government have an interest in encouraging every citizen and business and its employees to protect and preserve the beauty and cleanliness of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Keep American Beautiful, Inc., a national nonprofit organization with a history of addressing litter for over 50 years by encouraging individual responsibility, community partnerships and advocating volunteerism is addressing an emerging litter problem, **CIGARETTE LITTER**; and

**WHEREAS**, Downtown Bellingham Partnership will launch a *Cigarette Litter Prevention Program* to reduce litter in downtown Bellingham; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bellingham, in cooperation with Downtown Bellingham Partnership, local businesses, community and civic leaders agree that **CIGARETTE LITTER** has become a community-wide problem and have a strong interest in reducing it and eventually eliminating it; and

**WHEREAS**, all interested citizens are invited to support the *Cigarette Litter Prevention Program*, in Bellingham, which is launched in August,

**NOW, THEREFORE, DO I**, Dan Pike, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, hereby proclaim

**August 2009 as “Cigarette Litter Prevention Month”**

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.



Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2009.

Dan Pike, Mayor  
City of Bellingham