



CITY OF BELLINGHAM
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
DAN PIKE

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, KYL, Kauppakorkeakoulun Ylippilaskunnan Laulajat representing An Academic Male Choir from Aalto University of Helsinki has started their US West Coast Tour in the City of Bellingham, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellingham has a friendship city, Vaasa of Finland and Bellingham has many cultural exchanges with the people of Finland through its Sister Cities Association; and

WHEREAS, Mt. Baker Toppers, a local barbershop chorus, has travelled and performed in Finland during the past eleven years; and

WHEREAS, words and music belong together. Sometimes an association between words and music is so strong that we find it difficult to say the words without singing the tune or to hear the melody without also thinking of the words; and

WHEREAS, to this day, KYL, a 60 year academic male choir from Helsinki Finland remains true to its vision and is one of the best Scandinavian Male Choirs, which has performed in China, Brazil, USA (1995 first time) and in many European countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, DO I, Dan Pike, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim March 27, 2010 as

“GREAT INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FRIENDSHIP WITH KYL”

The Academic Male Choir from Aalto University of Helsinki Finland; Music Knows No Borders.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 15th day of March, 2010



Dan Pike, Mayor
City of Bellingham