



JOINT PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Opportunity Council is the Community Action Agency in Whatcom County working to help low-income community members to help themselves; and

WHEREAS, the Opportunity Council provides numerous program to help low-income citizens of Bellingham and Whatcom County through Head Start/ECEAP, Child Care Resource and Referral, Homeless Housing, Community Resource Center, home rehabilitation and weatherization, emergency financial assistance with winter heating bills and rent, and many others including the new "Community Energy Challenge" program; and

WHEREAS, the Opportunity Council, in partnership with elected officials, the private sector and low-income citizens, continues to identify challenges for those with fixed and low-income and seek ways to strengthen the community;

WHEREAS, Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live.

NOW, THEREFORE, DO WE, Dan Pike, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, and Pete Kremen, Whatcom County Executive, proclaim the month of May 2010 to be

COMMUNITY ACTION MONTH

in the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County, we urge all citizens to join us in this observance.

Signed this ____ day of March 2010.

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Dan Pike, Mayor
City of Bellingham

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pete Kremen", is written over a horizontal line.

Pete Kremen, Executive
Whatcom County

