



CITY OF BELLINGHAM  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
DAN PIKE

## **MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Bellingham Public School's teacher Bill Palmer is retiring after 38 years of service in public education; and

**WHEREAS**, he began teaching 1972 at Silver Beach Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, from 1974 to 1985 he taught in other districts around the state; and

**WHEREAS**, he returned to the Bellingham School District in 1985, and has been teaching at Columbia Elementary ever since; and

**WHEREAS**, in Mr. Palmer's classes all kids are "UGLY," his affectionate acronym for Unusually Gifted Learned Youth; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Palmer leaves a legacy of excellence among students, parents, teachers, administrators and others throughout the school district; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Palmer's many contributions extended beyond school into the Columbia Neighborhood and beyond; and

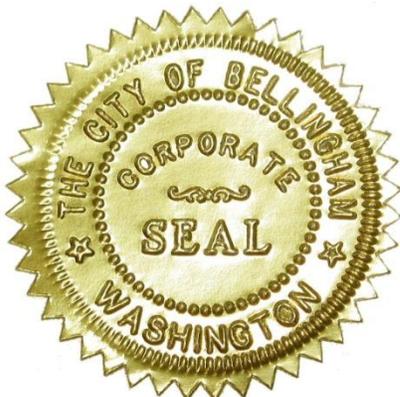
**WHEREAS**, the broader Bellingham community has enjoyed his voice as the announcer at many Western Washington University sporting events; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Palmer's professionalism, integrity, leadership and the care he showed for his students and everyone around him touched the lives of people throughout Bellingham.

**NOW, THEREFORE, DO I**, Dan Pike, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, proclaim Monday, June 7, 2010

### **BILL PALMER DAY**

in the City of Bellingham, Washington.



Signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.

Dan Pike, Mayor  
City of Bellingham