



PROCLAMATION

National Infertility Awareness Week

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, 1 in 8 couples have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and

WHEREAS, infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQ community also faces challenges when building their families; and

WHEREAS, all people challenged in their family building journey should have access to all family building options, including adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and

WHEREAS, cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in our City to access the family building option they need; and

WHEREAS, raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mason Thompson, do hereby proclaim April 24-30, 2022 “National Infertility Awareness Week” in Bothell and join RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association, and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by participating in this promotion.

Signed this 19th day of April, 2022.

Mason Thompson

Mason Thompson (Apr 14, 2022 19:01 PDT)

Mason Thompson, Mayor