



PROCLAMATION

Declaring November 2018 as National Hospice Palliative Care Month in Marysville

- WHEREAS, as Medicare's first proven coordinated care model, hospice offers person-centered, compassionate care, ensuring people dignity, choice, and quality of life; and
- WHEREAS, the hospice model involves an interdisciplinary, team-oriented approach to treatment including expert medical care, quality symptom control and comprehensive pain management as a foundation of care; and
- WHEREAS, beyond providing physical treatment, hospice attends to the patient's emotional, spiritual and family needs, and provides family services such as respite care and bereavement counseling; and
- WHEREAS, a growing body of peer-reviewed research indicates that timely access to hospice and palliative care can decrease hospitalizations and emergency room visits and increase quality of life for patients and family caregivers; and
- WHEREAS, every year more than 1.5 million Americans living with life-limiting illness and their families receive care from the nation's hospice programs in communities throughout the United States; and
- WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care organizations are advocates and educators about advance care planning that help individuals make decisions about the care they want; and
- WHEREAS, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have pledged to put patients first in all of its programs – including hospice – ensuring a coordinated and patient-led approach to care, protecting patient choice and access to individualized services based on a patient's unique care needs and wishes.

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, on behalf of the City Council and our community, do hereby proclaim November 2018 as

NATIONAL HOSPICE PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH

in the City of Marysville. I encourage all Marysville residents to increase their understanding and awareness of options of care at the end of life and to discuss their wishes with family, loved ones and their health care professionals.

Under my hand and seal this thirteenth day of November, 2018.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Jon Nehring, Mayor