



# PROCLAMATION

## Declaring November 2019 as Military Family Appreciation Month in Marysville

WHEREAS, Marysville has been a military community since Naval Station Everett opened in 1994 as part of a strategy to spread Navy facilities over a larger geographic area and currently houses about 6,000 sailors and civil service personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Naval Support Complex opened in Marysville in 1995 to replace similar facilities at Sand Point, offering a variety of services and amenities used by more than 30,000 Puget Sound-area active duty personnel, veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Armed Forces Reserve Center in Marysville opened in 2012 to house more than 500 soldiers from the Army Reserve and Washington Army National Guard, many of whom were relocated from Fort Lawton, and was designed to support up to 1,200 military service members; and

WHEREAS, more than 5,000 veterans who served in all branches of military service over past decades now call Marysville home; and

WHEREAS, former and current city leaders have long encouraged and supported military presence in Marysville and continue to work with our local military partners at every opportunity; and

WHEREAS, military families have, along with all the responsibilities of civilian families, unique additional concerns including education and career support for spouses and dependents who move frequently and have to start over every time; and

WHEREAS, we recognize and honor the hardships and sacrifices of countless Marysville military families, especially when their beloved service member is deployed while those left behind carry on with their daily lives at home; and

WHEREAS, in appreciation for the many valuable contributions of military families to our local community, schools, service organizations and social structure;

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, on behalf of the City Council and our community, do hereby proclaim November 2019 as

### MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION MONTH

in the City of Marysville, and encourage Marysville residents to extend a message of friendship and gratitude to military families.

Under my hand and seal this twelfth day of November, 2019.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

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*Jon Nehring, Mayor*