



PROCLAMATION

Declaring March 14, 2021, Bob Peterson Day in Marysville

WHEREAS, Marysville resident Bob Peterson is a 93-year-old World War II veteran who served admirably in the U.S. Navy for several years starting in 1945; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peterson trained in San Diego and Camp Elliott, Calif., before serving on the USS Hamlin, a Navy tender that supported vital seaplane operations in the Pacific Theater, including service in Saipan, Iwo Jima and Okinawa, during which time Mr. Peterson served as an Admiral's driver; and

WHEREAS, official U.S. Navy records indicate that upon his discharge from military service as a Hospital Apprentice First Class at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Bremerton, Mr. Peterson was eligible for a World War II Victory Medal; and

WHEREAS, unfortunately, that medal of honor was never properly awarded, and the Monroe and Everett posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) are seeking to right that wrong; and

WHEREAS, our community and our country are indebted to so many military veterans for their service, and are pleased to honor especially Marysville's own Bob Peterson for his commendable service during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Peterson will finally be awarded his long-earned World War II Victory Medal in a ceremony with his family on March 14, 2021, at the Everett VFW Post;

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, do hereby proclaim March 14, 2021, as

BOB PETERSON DAY IN MARYSVILLE

and on behalf of our grateful city, I offer my heartfelt appreciation for his service to our nation.

Under my hand and seal this eighth day of March, 2021.

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Jon Nehring, Mayor