



PROCLAMATION

Declaring November 2021 as Native American Heritage Month in Marysville

- WHEREAS, Native American traditions and beliefs have long helped to shape our country's communities and shared values, and during National Native American Heritage Month, we celebrate and honor the first Americans to call this land home; and
- WHEREAS, the greater Puget Sound is the ancestral home to many Coast Salish tribes whose people and customs are strongly interwoven into the fabric of our collective Pacific Northwest culture; and
- WHEREAS, Marysville's roots are in Indian Country, as the city was first established by founder James Comeford in 1872 as a trading post on the Tulalip Indian Reservation, and moved five years later to what is now the Marysville Ebey Waterfront area; and
- WHEREAS, through the generations the Tulalip Tribes and tribal members – direct descendants of and successors to the Snohomish, Snoqualmie, Skykomish and other allied bands recognized by the Treaty of Point Elliott -- have improved our community with valuable perspectives and contributions in art, history, environment, culture and economic development; and
- WHEREAS, the historic Qwuloolt Estuary Restoration Project was a remarkable effort led by the Tulalip Tribes in partnership with the city and many other local, state and federal entities that restored important salmon habitat and is now reconnecting residents and visitors with the waterfront through the city's development of the Ebey Waterfront Park and Trail; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Marysville and the Tulalip Tribes recently solidified our joint commitment to valuing all voices through equity and inclusion, and have long enjoyed a collaborative and congenial relationship working together on issues of mutual community interest including transportation, environment and economy;

NOW, THEREFORE I, JON NEHRING, MAYOR, on behalf of the City Council and our community, do hereby proclaim November 2021 as

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

in the City of Marysville, and extend a message of gratitude and brotherhood to our Tulalip friends and neighbors.

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

THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE

Jon Nehring, Mayor