

# PROCLAMATION

OF THE BURIEN CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON, PROCLAIMING

## **Gratitude for City of Burien Staff and First Responders**

WHEREAS on March 9, 2020 the Burien City Manager declared COVID-19 an emergency in Burien; and

WHEREAS fire and police personnel supported emergency services under challenging conditions; and

WHEREAS within a few weeks, City of Burien staff had to drastically change how to provide essential operations, programs, and services; and

WHEREAS human services staff and police sought to help people experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS economic development staff worked tirelessly to help local businesses survive shutdown; and

WHEREAS public works and parks maintenance staff maintained our streets, parks, and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS recreation staff provided essential outreach, virtual programming, and altered summer camps; and

WHEREAS finance staff navigated federal, state, and local requirements for funding assistance; and

WHEREAS communications staff worked to keep our staff, elected officials, and community informed; and

WHEREAS community development staff kept Burien City Hall open for permit and development needs; and

WHEREAS all staff displayed ingenuity, flexibility, and diligence in adapting to a 'new normal'; and

WHEREAS all staff advocated for and sought resources for Burien businesses and community members and worked tirelessly to connect community members to the resources they needed; and

WHEREAS all staff have demonstrated a commitment to public service and making a difference for the Burien community; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, THE BURIEN CITY COUNCIL THANKS ALL CITY OF BURIEN EMPLOYEES FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SERVICE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Dated the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020

**Mayor Jimmy Matta**

Deputy Mayor Krystal Marx  
Councilmember Pedro Olguin  
Councilmember Cydney Moore

Councilmember Kevin Schilling  
Councilmember Nancy Tosta  
Councilmember Sofia Aragon

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