CITY OF LAKEWOOD



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood expresses its appreciation to the Washington State Legislature for their dedication to furthering legislative priorities and strengthening the partnership with the City of Lakewood; and

WHEREAS, Senator T'wina Nobles, Representative Mari Leavitt and Representative Dan Bronoske of Legislative District 28 and Senator Steve Conway, Representative Steve Kirby and Representative Melanie Morgan of Legislative District 29, serving the citizens of Lakewood, have worked diligently in supporting the City of Lakewood's 2021 Legislative Agenda; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts approved a 2021-2023 operating budget which appropriates \$621,000 to the City for the highly successful Community Partnership Program that has successfully reduced calls for police service at Western State Hospital and created a safer environment for both the hospital and surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts adopted tax increment financing, an economic development tool that will allow Lakewood and all cities and towns to further advance economic development initiatives that will result in more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts approved a 2021-2023 biennial capital budget which provides significant investments in community projects in Lakewood including \$1,258,000 for American Lake Park ADA access improvements via the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP), the Aquatic Land Enhancement Account (ALEA), and the Local and Community Project fund; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts approved a 2021-2023 biennial capital budget which invests \$1,608,000 to the City for multi-faceted revitalization project that will improve safety and access at Wards Lake Park via the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP), the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), the Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) program and the Local and Community Project fund; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts adopted a 2021-2023 biennial capital budget which invests \$350,000 to the City for Fort Steilacoom Park to replace dirt baseball infields with turf baseball infields via the Youth Athletic Field (YAF) program; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts approved a 2021-2023 biennial capital budget which invests \$515,000 in the Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Client Services Center expansion; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts approved a 2021-2023 biennial capital budget which invests \$414,000 for a Carriage House at Lakewold Gardens through the Heritage Capital Grant; and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts collaborated with South Sound Military and Communities Partnerships (SSMCP), south sound communities, and the City of Lakewood to allocate \$1,400,000 from the 2021-2023 biennial capital budget towards property acquisition in the McChord Field North Clear Zone (NCZ); and

WHEREAS, Legislators of the 28th and 29th Districts collaborated with South Sound Military and Communities Partnerships (SSMCP), south sound communities, and the City of Lakewood to allocate \$5,000,000 from the 2021-2023 biennial transportation budget towards the Nisqually Environmental Impact Study along the I-5 Nisqually Delta.

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lakewood City Council, and on behalf of the residents of Lakewood, tribute is hereby paid to Legislators of the 28th and 29th Legislative Districts

SENATOR T'WINA NOBLES, SENATOR STEVE CONWAY, REPRESENTATIVE MARI LEAVITT, REPRESENTATIVE DAN BRONOSKE, REPRESENTATIVE STEVE KIRBY AND REPRESENTATIVE MELANIE MORGAN

for their outstanding service, dedication and commitment to the residents of Lakewood and urge all residents to join us in extending our appreciation for their public service.

PROCLAIMED this 7th day of June, 2021.

Don Anderson, Mayor

Jason Whalen, Deputy Mayor

Michael Brandstetter, Councilmember

Linda Farmer, Councilmember

Mary Moss, Councilmember

Patti Belle. Councilmember

Paul Bocchi, Councilmember