

CITY OF LAKEWOOD



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Ron Lucas was commissioned as a Officer in the United States Army in 1967, retiring in 1995, after completing more than 28 years of honorable service; and

WHEREAS, his distinguished service included multiple assignments in Southeast Asia, Europe and Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the military Ron Lucas dedicated himself to the education of youth working as a math educator for the Tacoma Public School District; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 the Tacoma Public School District recognized Lucas with the Angelo Giaudrone Teacher of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, his service to the Town of Steilacoom began in 1993 when he was elected as a Councilmember a title he held until he was elected as Mayor in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lucas demonstrated the highest levels of dedication and excellence throughout his tenure as Mayor of the Town of Steilacoom, a capacity in which he served for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Lucas deserves particular recognition for his efforts and community involvement "Serving the Children of the World" as Past-President and member of the Kiwanis Club of Steilacoom; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Mayor Lucas was inducted into the JBLM Civilian Hall of Fame as a Charter Member, in recognition of his continued support of service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Lucas was instrumental in the creation and leadership of the South Sound 911 organization; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Lucas further developed relationships and oversaw the allocation of over \$170 Billion in Federal and State Transportation funds as an appointed member of the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board and Transportation Policy Board; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Lucas demonstrated caring leadership and strong vision as he helped orchestrate a number of policy priorities from conception to completion through his many community involvement roles with organizations such as the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board, Pierce County Regional Council, Tacoma Pierce County Board of Health, Rainier Communications Commission, Sound Transit and Pierce County Cities and Towns Association; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Lucas was a friend to the Lakewood community showing his generous support of local park improvements and development initiatives and as a Partners for Parks Board Member.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Lakewood City Council and citizens of the City of Lakewood do hereby honor and express our deepest appreciation of

RON LUCAS

for his exemplary accomplishments and for setting the standard for which quality leadership, both civilian and military, should aspire to emulate.

PROCLAIMED this 5th day of April, 2021.

Don Anderson, Mayor