

The City of Everett

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the YWCA is committed to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all; and

WHEREAS, on the last Friday of April each year, hundreds of thousands of people across the nation gather with the YWCA to spread awareness about the root causes of racism and to encourage conversations among members of diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Everett supports the YWCA mission and works to eliminate racial inequity through internal practices, citywide initiatives and partnerships with other institutions and the community; and

WHEREAS, racism prevents individuals from fully participating in and contributing to their community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Everett and the YWCA believe that individuals and communities must be engaged in a conversation about racism and pledge, with one voice, to stand against racism;

WHEREAS, the elimination of racism can be achieved only with the participation of all people in dialogue, reflection and action; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ray Stephanson, Mayor of the City of Everett, do hereby proclaim April 29th, 2016, as

STAND AGAINST RACISM DAY

in the City of Everett and encourage all residents to participate in this special observance.

Signed this 27th day of April, 2016



Mayor Ray Stephanson

