

## Proclamation Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

## In Support of the AAPI Community April 5th, 2021

*WHEREAS*, Mukilteo is home to a highly diverse community, 30% are non-white residents, and 19% identify as Asian-American and Pacific Islander; and

WHEREAS, there has been a documented regional and nationwide trend of increased discrimination, hate and violence against Asian Americans, from young adults to our most vulnerable elderly, exacerbated by false narratives and xenophobia around the coronavirus; and

*WHEREAS*, hate, violence and bias are not accepted in our community especially when targeting or scapegoating individuals based on their race and identity; and

*WHEREAS*, Mukilteo being a sustainable, well-run city with safe, strong neighborhoods, cannot be a reality without ensuring we are a welcoming and inclusive community; and

*WHEREAS*, many of our local businesses are Asian-American run, and are part of what makes Mukilteo thrive economically and socially; and

*WHEREAS*, each of us has a responsibility to speak out against acts of violence and hatred, reject stigma, hate, and bias, and report any such incidents; and

*WHEREAS*, if you identify as Asian-American or Pacific Islander, please know that you are welcome here, and you belong here.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim our support towards the Asian-American / Pacific Islander Community, and hereby condemn any and all violence and hate towards the AAPI Community.

Signed this 5th Day of April, 2021

Jennifer Gregerson

Mayor