



# *Proclamation*

*Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo*

## **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY** **October 10, 2016**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mukilteo recognizes that the Indigenous Peoples of the lands that would later become known as the Americas have been occupied by them since time immemorial; and

**WHEREAS**, the City values the many contributions made to our area through Indigenous Peoples' knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy; arts and the deep cultural contribution that has substantially shaped the character of Western Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the Snohomish Tribe set up a year-round village on the land spit and adjoining salt marsh that became Mukilteo, which means "a good camping ground" and is believed to be from a dialect of Lushootseed; and

**WHEREAS**, Mukilteo served as the site of the 1855 Pointe Elliott Treaty signed by Governor Isaac Stevens and representatives of 22 Native American Tribes, including Chief Seattle; and

**WHEREAS**, Mukilteo was a favorite meeting and camping ground for many years, and remains so to this day; and

**WHEREAS**, the City supports closing the equity gap for Indigenous Peoples through policies and practices that reflect the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, ensure greater access and opportunity, and honor our nation's indigenous roots, history and contributions.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I**, Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby supports the need to celebrate the thriving cultures and values of the Indigenous Peoples in our region and declare the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Mukilteo.



Signed this 1st Day of October, 2016

  
Jennifer Gregerson  
Mayor