



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

HUGS FOR GHANA DAY March 18, 2016

WHEREAS, *Hugs for Ghana* is a student-led non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and encouraging children in Ghana, West Africa through grassroots projects and gift item donations; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 2007 by the Bervell family, *Hugs for Ghana* has evolved to an organization focused on aiding youth and children in Ghana as well as local communities in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, *Hugs* has expanded to “Helping You Grow”, which focuses on tutoring local elementary students, performing at local retirement homes and maintaining a 100 student-strong volunteer board; and

WHEREAS, *Hugs* is a growing movement for many students at Kamiak High School, who tirelessly raise funds and donated items to provide much needed school supplies and sports equipment to children in Ghana; and

WHEREAS, *Hugs for Ghana* and *Helping You Grow* totally relies on volunteers and Ghanaian communities for their support and involvement to improve the lives of children’s through education and healthy activities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim March 18, 2016 as *Hugs for Ghana Day* and offer my sincere congratulations for over nine years of serving children and youth in Ghana and our community.



Signed this 18th Day of March, 2016

Jennifer Gregerson
Mayor