



# *Proclamation*

*Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo*

## **Lung Cancer Awareness Month November 2020**

*WHEREAS*, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among men and women in the United States and in Washington in 2020, accounting for more deaths than colon cancer, breast cancer, and prostate cancer combined; and

*WHEREAS*, according to the Washington State Cancer Registry, there were 132 new lung cancer cases and 54 deaths each year because of lung cancer between 2014 and 2016 in Snohomish County; and

*WHEREAS*, screening for lung cancer for high-risk individuals using low-dose computed tomography can lead to the earlier detection of lung cancer and save lives; and

*WHEREAS*, women diagnosed with lung cancer are more likely to be younger and never-smokers, lung cancer incidence and mortality rates in women are rising relative to men, more women die from lung cancer than breast cancer every year and by 2035, it is expected that more women will die from lung cancer than men; and

*WHEREAS*, organizations, such as the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative and Women's Lung Cancer Forum, are committed to educating about lung cancer and lung cancer screening and working to increase lung cancer screening rates; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in Mukilteo, and recognize the need for research in lung cancer affecting women and lung cancer health disparities, and encourage all citizens, to learn about lung cancer and early detection through lung cancer screening.

Signed this 12th Day of November, 2020

Jennifer Gregerson  
Mayor