



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

Fentanyl Awareness Day May 9, 2023

WHEREAS, National Fentanyl Awareness Day aims to amplify nationwide efforts to increase awareness and decrease demand for fentanyl, which is a highly addictive synthetic opioid that continues to drive the overdose epidemic; and

WHEREAS, Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is approximately 50 times more potent than heroin and 100 times more potent than morphine; and

WHEREAS, Drug traffickers are increasingly mixing fentanyl with other drugs, and even putting it in marijuana, cocaine, etc. Many people who are overdosing and dying don't even know that they are taking fentanyl; and

WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that in the United States, over 150 people die every day from overdoses related to synthetic opioids like fentanyl. Mukilteo Police had one overdose reversal in 2022 and two in 2021. Sixty-six percent of overdose deaths involved synthetic opioids such as fentanyl; and

WHEREAS, Only two milligrams of fentanyl is considered a potentially lethal dose; it's particularly dangerous for someone who does not have a tolerance to opioids; and

WHEREAS, Young people and families need to have a strong sense of awareness about this drug and the dangers of it, kids as young as middle school age have overdosed on fentanyl.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Joe Marine, Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby prolaminate May 9th as Fentanyl Awareness Day in Mukilteo and encourage residents to be aware and to share this information far and wide. No one is exempt from the dangers of fentanyl, and it is critical that we keep our community and loved ones safe.



Signed this 1st Day of May, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Marine".

Joe Marine
Mayor