Whereas: Councilmember Conrad Lee has provided outstanding service to the City of Bellevue

since his election to the City Council in 1994, dedicating himself to advancing a safe,

inclusive, innovative and fiscally sound community; and

Whereas: a long-time Bellevue resident, Councilmember Lee brings a deep commitment to public

service informed by his engineering and business background, including a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from the University of Michigan, an MBA from the University of Washington and professional experience in both the aerospace and small

business sectors; and

**Whereas:** prior to and during his tenure on the Council, Councilmember Lee has held leadership

roles including Mayor of Bellevue (2012-2013) and Deputy Mayor, through which he guided city governance during times of growth and challenge, helping shape Bellevue's

evolution into a regional hub for innovation and opportunity; and

**Whereas:** he has been a steadfast advocate for public safety, transportation and infrastructure,

affordable housing, a cross-cultural center, and responsible economic development—while championing Bellevue's commitment to welcoming and including all members of the community - and has proudly upheld the city's strong tradition of fiscal stewardship,

often playfully referring to himself as the "fiscal hawk" on the council; and

**Whereas:** his regional and statewide leadership, including service on the Puget Sound Regional

Council's Economic Development Board, the Sound Cities Association Equity & Inclusion Cabinet, and the Greater Seattle Partners Executive Council, has strengthened Bellevue's voice in the region and advanced equity, access and opportunity beyond city limits; and

Whereas: Councilmember Lee has consistently brought a collaborative and thoughtful approach to

governance, working across sectors and jurisdictions to ensure policy and investments

reflect the needs and aspirations of all Bellevue residents; and

Whereas: his long dedication to public service continues to set a high standard for leadership and

community impact in Bellevue.

**Now, therefore, I,** Mayor Lynne Robinson on behalf of the Bellevue City Council, do, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 2025, hereby commend:

## **Conrad Lee**

for his exemplary service, enduring leadership and tireless commitment to making Bellevue a better place for all who live, work, study and play here.