Whereas: the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is observed annually on

the third Sunday of November to honor those who have lost their lives or been seriously injured on roadways, and to recognize the families, friends and first

responders affected by these tragedies; and

Whereas: in 2024, approximately 39,500 people in the United States and more than 730

people in Washington State lost their lives in traffic crashes, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - each one a devastating

reminder that traffic deaths are preventable; and

Whereas: between 2015 and 2024, 22 people lost their lives and 232 sustained serious

injuries on Bellevue's streets. Each loss ripples through our community, touching

parents, children, siblings, friends and neighbors; and

Whereas: The City of Bellevue remains firmly committed to its Vision Zero goal of

eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2030. Through its Safe System approach, the city prioritizes safe road design, responsible behavior, equitable

enforcement and effective emergency response; and

Whereas: the 2025 World Day of Remembrance reminds us that ending traffic violence

requires shared responsibility - from engineers and educators to drivers,

bicyclists and pedestrians alike.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim **November 16, 2025**, as

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims

in Bellevue, Washington, and encourage all residents to join in a moment of silence to remember those impacted by traffic crashes and to reflect on our shared responsibility to create safer streets for everyone.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor City of Bellevue