



# City of Bellevue | Proclamation

**Whereas:** Petroleum-fueled vehicles contribute to over 40 percent of our local greenhouse gas emissions and are major contributing factor for air pollution and climate change; and

**Whereas:** To meet our regional and local greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets, we must continue to explore alternative fueled vehicles and alternative modes of transportation; and

**Whereas:** The City of Bellevue has embraced electric vehicles through an investment in charging stations for our fleet and the public, and by purchasing electric and hybrid vehicles for our fleet; and

**Whereas:** The City of Bellevue will host a “National Drive Electric Week” event on Sept. 10 at the Downtown Park, for residents to come and learn about the benefits of driving electric vehicles from other owners and residents; and

**Whereas:** Bellevue has one of the highest electric vehicle ownership rates in the state and in the country; and

**Whereas:** It is critical that the transportation sector partner with the public and private sector to move toward adoption of clean energy technology, including plug-in electric vehicles; and

**Whereas:** Bellevue is dedicated to being a leader in the use of clean energy, establishing policies and programs that conserve energy, and promote sustainability; and

**Whereas:** September 14-22, 2019 has been designated as National Drive Electric Week throughout the United States to educate our citizens about the benefits of plug-in electric vehicles and to promote their adoption.

**Now, therefore, I,** John Chelminiak, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim **September 14-22, 2019** as:

## **NATIONAL DRIVE ELECTRIC WEEK**

in Bellevue and call upon all residents of this great City to join me in supporting the aims and goals of this worthwhile effort.

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John L. Chelminiak, Mayor  
City of Bellevue