Whereas: All children benefit when communities take steps to make the safety of people walking and rolling a priority; and

Whereas: Physical activity and getting outdoors through activities such as walking or rolling to school can play a leading role in improving the health and well-being of children; and

Whereas: An important role for parents and caregivers is to teach children about safety when walking and rolling, and the health benefits related to physical activity; and

Whereas: Walk & Roll to School Day in October has proven to be helpful in encouraging children to safely walk or roll to school or to the school bus and in creating and promoting local Safe Routes to School Programs across the United States and globally; and

Whereas: Walking or rolling as modes of transportation can relieve traffic congestion and offer environmental benefits; and

Whereas: This year's walk and roll event is coordinated by Bellevue SchoolPool, a collaboration between Bellevue, King County Metro and Bellevue School District, to encourage families and students to explore sustainable transportation options.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim **October 4, 2023,** as:

Bellevue SchoolPool Walk & Roll to School Day

and encourage everyone to consider the safety and health of children traveling to and from school today and every day.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue