



City of Bellevue | Commendation

Whereas: Bill Pace, a longtime city of Bellevue resident, passed away in late 2022 at the age of 92. He left a rich legacy through decades of channeling his energy into serving neighborhoods and the entire city; and

Whereas: Bill sold produce in Bellevue for 68 years, first selling peaches out of the back of his station wagon in the parking lot of the Boise Cascade lumberyard, where he was a sales manager, and later operating a fruit and vegetable stand at the Mercer Slough Blueberry Farm for 13 years; and

Whereas: He also operated a café and produce market in the Newport Hills Shopping Center, contributing to an effort to revitalize the shopping center and neighborhood; and

Whereas: Bill was a Bellevue Kiwanis member for life, serving as an adviser to Key Clubs at Newport High School and Sammamish High School, and he regularly supported Highland Community Center programs for people with disabilities; and

Whereas: Friends described Bill as the kind of person who would give you the shirt off his back in the middle of a snowstorm; and

Whereas: We are grateful for his service, belief in the community and time and steadfast commitment to the residents of Bellevue.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, and on behalf of the Bellevue City Council, do, this 13th day of March, in the year 2023, hereby commend:

Bill Pace

for his dedication and meaningful service to the Bellevue community.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue