



City of Bellevue | Proclamation

Whereas: Pregnancy and infant loss is such a common occurrence, one that is usually not acknowledged; and

Whereas: This devastating tragedy often occurs suddenly, without warning, as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth, preterm birth, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), accident, or other causes or complications; and

Whereas: Oct. 15 is recognized in many other places around the world as a day of remembrance and awareness of pregnancy and infant loss; and

Whereas: Increased awareness of the causes and impacts surrounding pregnancy and infant loss may lead to greater understanding, support and resources in communities across the region; and

Whereas: This month honors the lives of children taken far too soon and supports grieving families whose lives are forever altered by the heartbreak of losing a child; and

Whereas: Recognizing Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness/Remembrance Month enables the people of Bellevue to consider how, as individuals and communities, they can meet the needs of bereaved mothers, fathers, and family members, and work to prevent the causes of these deaths.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, mayor of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2024, as:

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

in Bellevue, and encourage parents, caregivers and all residents to learn about opportunities to prevent pregnancy and infant loss and support bereaved families when prevention is not possible.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue