## CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

## PROCLAMATION

Whereas: National Volunteer Week provides us the opportunity to celebrate the

contributions of those who generously give their time and talents to improve their

communities; and

Whereas: This year's theme, "Celebrate Service," promotes the positive changes in our

community by our volunteers who give of themselves each and every day; and

**Whereas:** Experience teaches us that government alone cannot solve all of our community's

problem; and

**Whereas:** Volunteers are recognized as an important partner with the City of Bellevue in

providing services to our citizens; and

**Whereas:** Our Bellevue volunteers continue to inspire and engage us through serving the

community, assisting those in need, and creating goodwill; and

**Whereas:** The City of Bellevue appreciates its volunteers and encourages citizens to become

aware and involved in their communities, neighborhoods and local government.

*Now, therefore, I,* John Stokes, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of **April 10-16, 2016** as:

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and urge all citizens to recognize the valuable contributions made by volunteers, and encourage others to serve the community to improve their own life as well as the lives of others

John Stokes Mayor