

Whereas: The City of Bellevue embraces cultural events and supports creative opportunities; and Bluegrass music education is recognized as a discipline that universally fosters a sense of Whereas: community for all ages, abilities and ethnicities; and Whereas: Through its commitment to preserving and promoting traditional acoustic American music through presentation and education, Acoustic Sound will present its 26th annual Wintergrass Music Festival at the world-class and award-winning Hyatt Regency Hotel, Feb. 21-24; and Whereas: Students will discover and appreciate traditional and modern bluegrass music through Pintgrass, the Youth Academy, the Youth Orchestra, the Youth Academy Teacher Training Program, the Educator Fellowship Program and adult workshops; and Whereas: Wintergrass supports aspiring and professional musicians through the opportunity to teach and perform, while recognizing the importance bluegrass music education offers to

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

enriching cultural experiences and community with lifelong effects for all.

BLUEGRASS MUSIC EDUCATION MONTH

and invite all of our residents to join in the observance and share the magic of music that Wintergrass offers.

John Chelminiak, Mayor City of Bellevue