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TO: Mayor Chelminiak and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: 2019 Bellevue Family 4th

Fireworks will illuminate the skies over Bellevue's Downtown Park this July 4th as part of the 28th annual Bellevue Family 4th presented by The Bellevue Collection. This free family event continues to be the Eastside's largest Independence Day celebration, with an estimated viewing attendance of 60,000 in the Downtown Park and surrounding areas.

The day's events begin with the Four on the 4th Dog Jog & Walk at 9 a.m. produced by the Bellevue Downtown Association at Ashwood Park. At 2 p.m. the Downtown Park comes alive with children's activities in the Family Fun Zone that offers inflatable rides, children's entertainment, toy vendors, and education and activity booths provided by the City and non-profit groups. The popular food court will operate from 2:00 - 10:00 p.m. offering a variety of food choices.

The PACCAR Main Stage presents quality entertainment from 3:45 - 10:40 p.m. and will include:

- Live music by The Dimestore Prophets (Feel Good, Groove), The Lowdown Drifters (Country), and The Nines! (Dance Party).
- The Bellevue Honor Guard, Placement of the Colors Presentation at 8:50 p.m.
- The National Anthem presented by the International School iJazz Choir.
- The evening will conclude with the Bellevue Youth Symphony Orchestra at 9:30 p.m. playing a concert followed by patriotic ballads synchronized to the fireworks show as well as a post-fireworks set.

The fireworks show will be coordinated by Pyro Spectaculars North this year and will blast off at 10:05 p.m.

This popular community event is a partnership between the City of Bellevue and the Bellevue Downtown Association and is made possible by the generous support of The Bellevue Collection, PACCAR Inc., Sound Transit, Puget Sound Energy, and the Bellevue Club. The City's media sponsors this year include KOMO 4, The Seattle Times, 95.7 The Jet, and 98.9 The Bull.

Free parking is available to the public at The Bellevue Collection (Bellevue Square, Lincoln Square, and Bellevue Place) parking lots after 6:00 p.m.

We invite Mayor Chelminiak and City Councilmembers to join the community at this popular event that showcases our wonderful Downtown Park and provides a convenient and beautiful gathering space for residents and visitors in the heart of downtown Bellevue.

