Whereas: The City of Bellevue recognizes the need for adequate nutrition as a basic goal for each

resident; and

Whereas: No parent should have to send a child to school hungry, no baby should be without the

comfort of the feedings needed for mental and physical growth, no elderly person's health

should be jeopardized by lack of appropriate foods; and

Whereas: Food banks, emergency and hot meal programs working with our cities, local churches,

social service agencies, and hundreds of volunteers are striving day in and day out to stem

the rising tide of hunger, but still need more help; and

**Whereas:** We believe that when our citizens who are not involved hear of the desperate needs of the

hungry an outpouring of community assistance will follow; and

Whereas: The Emergency Feeding Program of Seattle & King County coordinates an annual food drive

to help support the efforts of their program and the area's food banks in fighting hunger which will be held at grocery stores throughout King County on Saturday, September 21,

2019.

**Now, therefore, I,** John Chelminiak, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim the day of **September 21, 2019** as:

## MAYOR'S DAY OF CONCERN FOR THE HUNGRY

in Bellevue, and strongly urge all citizens to join the Emergency Feeding Program and our local food banks to nourish those who are hungry.

John Chelminiak, Mayor
City of Bellevue