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TO: City Councilmembers

FROM: Lynne Robinson, Mayor

SUBJECT: Congratulations – 2021 Husky 100

Each year, the University of Washington recognizes 100 undergraduate and graduate students for their contributions and honors them as one of the Husky 100. Students are nominated by their peers, faculty, staff and mentors, as someone who has shown true passion, leadership and dedication as a Husky. Criteria for this honor include demonstration of the following attributes:

- **Connect the dots** by demonstrating an ability to find connections instead of boundaries;
- **Discovery mindset** through embracing innovation and novel ways of thinking;
- **Commitment to inclusive community** in seeking to understand and engage with diverse communities and knowledge of different cultures;
- **Capacity for leadership** demonstrated without need for formal role or title;
- **Ready for what is next** being undeterred by the risk of failure.

More information can be found about the Husky 100:

<https://www.washington.edu/husky100/>

Earlier this month, I was notified that Bellevue's own Christopher Hays was named to the 2021 Husky 100. In the announcement, staff noted that Christopher has served the UW community by sharing his experiences and developing methods to assist others in many facets. Congratulations to Christopher Hays, you have made Bellevue proud. We cannot wait to see what you do next.



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Year awarded 2021

As a person with Cerebral Palsy, finding that voice wasn't just metaphorically difficult, but physically difficult. My UW path enabled me to find and develop my voice and helped me define what it means to have capacity for leadership, the ability to be the change I want in the world; for me, that is enabling others to reach success with the tools they need, just as that was done for me. A few of my highlights at UW have been participating in the DC Seminar and interning at the Washington State Legislature.

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