

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION by the Mayor of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington, declaring September 2020 as "Puget Sound Starts Here Month."

WHEREAS, Puget Sound is a critical natural resource that contributes to Bainbridge Island's environmental and economic infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, water quality is a priority for the health and welfare of all people; and

WHEREAS, educational initiatives such as the regional "Puget Sound Starts Here" public awareness campaign exist to protect and improve local and regional water quality; and

WHEREAS, state and federal agencies, local organizations, governments and tribes have joined together to engage residents in Puget Sound's recovery; and

WHEREAS, all Puget Sound residents have the ability to take action to reduce their individual and cumulative impacts on Puget Sound and local waterways through efforts such as proper waste disposal, auto-vehicle maintenance, practicing natural yard care, and ensuring that only rain goes down the drain;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leslie Schneider, Mayor of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 2020 as

"PUGET SOUND STARTS HERE MONTH"

and encourage all citizens to help protect and clean up Puget Sound and our local waterways for the sake of our environment, and for the benefit of current and future generations.

SIGNED, this 25th day of August, 2020.



Leslie Schneider, Mayor